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## Income Tax Will Affect All Grades This Year

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### Sees End of War Sometime

HONDO AIR NAVIGATION SCHOOL, Hondo, Tex — Air Force students here were plunged into apathy this week when they learned that the planet on which they live is third in order of distance from the sun and has four oceans, seven seas and many people.

This was one of the semi-exclusive news beats revealed by Dr. Navigator Fryspaniel, noted world traveler and palm-reader.

Dr. Fryspaniel has long been in the front rank of news analysts. There are others ranker, in the opinion of experts, but he has a bigger voice than most.

The dean of news gabblers is a self-made ignoramus who worked his way through Barber College selling marihuana to faculty members. His work experience has been wide. Jobs at which he has unsuccessfully tried his hand include stool pigeon, chow hound and designer of paper panties for pork chops.

In his lecture to the cadets here, Dr. Fryspaniel also predicted that the assassination of the Archduke Ferdinand would inevitably lead to war. He was challenged on this statement by an alert member of the audience, who suggested that perhaps the doctor had the wrong ear to the ground.

"Unlike most commentators," was Dr. Fryspaniel's stinging retort, "I am in the habit of keeping BOTH ears to the ground at once. How can I be wrong?"

It was noted that the doctor's head was curiously flat in a longitudinal direction.

"I cannot overemphasize the importance of rubber," he said at this point. "For instance, if you piled all the tires in the world on top of one another, they'd topple over! Not only that. It is cold in Russia! Moscow reports that in the past two weeks 3,475,622 Nazis and four brass monkeys have been badly frozen.

"Conditions are so bad with Mussolini's army that Italians are now maneuvering to outflank the Germans and surrender. In fact, they are surrendering in untold numbers. But I will tell you about that—remember, you could not get this information anywhere else. The numbers are: 1. Benito; 2. Flinito."

Dr. Fryspaniel also disclosed that there is apparently something rotten in Denmark.

"I suspect it is Hitler," he said gravely.

The noted fly-catcher, who regretted that he had left his cap and bells at home, said he had remarked a growing tendency among Army personnel to discount the reports of news burpers.

"This is true, however, mainly among men stationed at uncivilized outposts. It is probable that close contact with savage Nazis and Japs are weaning our boys away from an appreciation of the blessings of free speech we in the U. S. enjoy. The Panama Coast Artillery is particularly at fault in this matter. Its paper, the Jungle Mudder, is always poking fun at us."

Dr. Fryspaniel said he was leaving soon for Africa.

"It is unavoidable," he said regretfully. "The OWI thinks I can be more useful in South Africa. There are many Boers down there, you know."

### Overseas Cereals Prepared by QM

Pre-cooked and pre-mixed breakfast cereals are now available to United States troops overseas, the War Department disclosed.

A process, developed by the Quartermaster Corps, permits the serving of these dishes, chiefly whole wheat and oatmeal, merely by adding water.

The cereals are cooked until they contain no more than 12 per cent moisture. They are then packed in containers and sent to the far flung outposts where by adding the water they are made as edible as the freshly cooked dish.



DR. NAVIGATOR FRYSPANIEL  
Has Nose for News and So Forth

### Police Don't Want You, Brother Tells Soldier

AN ALASKAN ARMY POST—Nine years ago in a Texas town John Doe, whose real name the Red Cross will not reveal, was involved in a free-for-all fight in which a man was stabbed.

The youth fled town. Two weeks later he heard that the man he had stabbed was dead and that police were searching for him.

### Unites Couple 4,000 Miles Apart

DALLAS, Tex. — Ministering to men in a war zone, or performing wedding ceremonies under unusual circumstances, are nothing new to Col. Ora J. Cohee, chief, Chaplain's Branch, Eighth Service Command.

But, when Colonel Cohee, a veteran of 27 years, 18 months of which were spent in France during World War I, stepped to a telephone here recently to unite a comely San Antonio girl and a young Army surgeon in marriage via 4,000 miles of wire and land and water, he added something new and novel to his repertoire.

The couple, Miss Louise Cherry of San Antonio, and Capt. M. B. Shannon, stationed in Honolulu, exchanged vows by transoceanic telephone with the veteran chaplain reading an abbreviated form of the Episcopal wedding ceremony in order to hold vital telephone lines but five minutes and relieve some strain on a highly congested communications system.

John fled further, appropriating his own brother's name and doing odd jobs. A little more than a year ago he was drafted and sent to Alaska, where he met the brother whose name he had been using. The brother, however, knew nothing about the circumstances surrounding John's disappearance.

"We thought," he said, "that you were dead. More than eight years ago a train killed a man at Bonham, tearing the body to bits. But your name was found on a letter and every one figured the dead man was you."

Finally, John Doe told his story to a chaplain. Upon the chaplain's request, the Red Cross investigated in Texas. Not only was the stabbed man alive and prosperous, but the local Sheriff signed a statement that there were no charges outstanding against Doe.

### Drafted

CAMP FUNSTON, Kans.—Latest soldier to receive orders to report for induction by his draft board is Pvt. John E. Batteese of the 9th Armored Division. Batteese volunteered Nov. 9.

Copies of the Army Times are made available to all Army hospitals through the American Red Cross.

Although service men are subject to the new 1943 Victory Tax just like civilians, there isn't going to be any change in the size of their pay checks this year.

Unlike civilian employers, Uncle Sam won't deduct the tax from his service payroll, the Army Finance Department informed Army Times this week.

The rub is, however, that all soldiers subject to the Victory Tax (and that includes everyone but the lowly buck privates) will have to file regular income blanks in March, 1944, and figure out what they owe in Victory Taxes for themselves. That is, they will unless Congress changes its mind before then.

Meanwhile, in March, 1943, all service men, not married and not stationed abroad, who earn \$750 or more per year must file a regular income tax return. That means that all men of a corporal's rank or higher who are still single must file a return. Some men of lower rank who receive extra compensation, such as flight pay, longevity pay, parachutists' pay, etc., will also have to file.

Married men who make more than \$1500 a year (first sergeants and above) must file returns.

However, no man who entered the Army after October 17, 1940, has to pay the tax (1) if it would be a hardship to pay it; (2) if he applies for an extension. But service men must file a return whether they pay on it or not.

Remember:  
1. You must file a return.  
2. You must ask for an extension of time if you don't want to pay now.

Men overseas do not even have to file a return. However, the Treasury is supplying overseas bases with a large supply of blanks in the belief that many soldiers will want to pay their tax now instead of letting it pile up on them. Even privates overseas will be subject to the Victory Tax since they receive \$60 a month—or more than the \$624 a year on which the Victory Tax applies.

Let's consider the Victory Tax again. Remember, the Victory Tax is different from and in addition to the regular income tax. It is 5 per cent of all income over \$624 a year. Thus a private first class—whose base pay is \$648 a year—will pay a Victory Tax of 5 per cent of \$24—or \$1.20 a year. The tax applies to his base pay before deductions and allowances are taken out. He must also pay the tax on his extra compensation, if he receives any, such as flight pay.

If the soldier buys War Bonds, these may be credited towards tax payments. Single men are allowed 25 per cent of bond purchases as credits, while married men are allowed 40 per cent with 2 per cent additional for each dependent.

The Victory Tax is not entirely a tax—in part, it is a loan to the government, for 40 per cent of it will be paid back after the war. It may also be applied in part for paying your 1943 income tax when you figure it

out in March, 1944.

Now let's go back to this year's regular income tax.

Question: I read that all single men making \$500 or more and all married men making \$1200 or more had to file an income tax return. Does this apply to a soldier?

Answer: No. The 1942 law gives a special grant to members of the armed forces below the grade of commissioned officer. Single men may just subtract \$250 from their income, as though they had never received it; married men may subtract \$300.

Q: To whom do I send my return?  
A: To the Collector of Internal Revenue in the district in which you lived as a civilian. Do not file with the Collector nearest your post.

Q: The Army deducts part of my pay for insurance, laundry, and dependency allotments. Do I have to pay the income tax on this money, since I don't get it?

A: Yes.  
Q: Do I have to pay the tax on the \$28 the government adds to my allotment for my wife?

A: No. This is a gift of the government and is not taxable.

Q: I live off the post and receive subsistence allowance. Do I have to pay a tax on this?

A: No. Nor do you have to pay a tax on money received from the government for travel or equipment necessary to your job as a soldier.

Q: I am an officer. Do I have to pay a tax on my allowance for uniform?

A: No. Do not include this in your income. You may also deduct for other pieces of equipment such as corps devices, Sam Browne belts and campaign bars which were not included in your allowance.

Q: I do not wish to pay my tax this year. What do I do?

A: When you file your return, add a letter saying that it would be a hardship to pay. The Treasury will send you a short form to fill out. The Treasury is lenient in judging what constitutes a "hardship."

Q: If I don't pay now, when will (See TAX, Page 16).

### What You Pay

Following is a table of the annual Victory Tax payable on a soldier's base pay. The tax also applies to additional pay, such as foreign service pay, flight pay, and parachutists' pay. Add 5 per cent of such pay to appropriate figure in right-hand column. Deductions may be made for War Bond purchases.

Grade	Annual Base Pay	Annual Victory Tax
Private	\$ 600	none
Private, first class	648	\$ 1.20
Corporals and Tech. 5th grade	792	8.40
Sergeants and Tech. 4th grade	936	15.60
Staff Sergeants and Tech. 3rd grade	1,152	26.40
Technical Sergeants	1,368	37.20
Master or First Sergeants	1,656	51.60
Warrant Officers (j.g.)	1,800	58.30
Second Lieutenants—		
Less than 5 years' service	1,800	58.30
More than 5 years' service	2,000	68.30
First Lieutenants—		
Less than 10 years' service	2,000	68.30
More than 10 years' service	2,400	88.30
Captains—		
Less than 17 years' service	2,400	88.30
More than 17 years' service	3,000	118.80
Majors—		
Less than 23 years' service	3,000	118.80
More than 23 years' service	3,500	143.80
Lieutenant Colonels—		
Less than 30 years' service	3,500	143.80
More than 30 years' service	4,000	168.80
Colonel	4,000	168.80
Brigadier General	6,000	268.80
Major General (and over)	8,000	368.80

# Ex-Red General Private in U.S. Army

## Diplomat Fled Post to Escape OGPU; Proud of Russian Army

FORT DIX, N. J.—Alexandre Barmine, former brigadier general in the Red Army, who fled from his post as Soviet charge d'affaires in Athens in 1937, rather than face recall to Moscow and possible execution in the purge of Stalin's General Staff, today is a private soldier of the United States.

Private Barmine, a graduate of the Frunze Military Academy—the Russian West Point—and a friend and fellow-officer of the liquidated Marshal Mikhail Tukhachevsky, was inducted into the Army on Dec. 4.

After three weeks at the reception center at Fort Dix, N. J., he was assigned last Saturday to a training battalion in New Jersey, much pleased, he said last night, to be doing his duty "in a very democratic army."

Barmine, who came to the United States in 1940, predicting that he had "signed my death-warrant" by defying the order to return to Moscow and might face assassination at the hands of the OGPU, in common with other Red refugees, was working for the National Broadcasting Company when his draft board called him. A student of eleven languages, he was an interpreter of foreign classification as an essential war worker.

"But my profession was the Army," he said, "and it seemed silly to ask for a deferment. Now I feel morally better. I feel I am doing my duty. And I am agreeably surprised by this Army. The food is good, the treatment is excellent and they work very hard."

Though Barmine's officers at Camp Dix were surprised to learn that they had a Red brigadier general under their command, the former Soviet diplomat kept his secret from his fellow-privates there.

"I'm glad no one in my company knew my past," he said. "I tried to do my work and be as inconspicuous as possible. I guess I succeeded."

Barmine first was a private 24

years ago, when he enlisted in the Red Army of 1919. At the front in the Polish War, he rose to a colonelcy, and then was sent to the Frunze Academy, from which he was graduated in 1923. Later he was transferred to a civil assignment and then to the diplomatic corps.

Although Barmine, 19 years a member of the Communist party, formerly attacked the Stalin regime as a "reactionary dictatorship," he said that he was "proud of the Red Army."

"We have been building an Army here for the last two years and it isn't completed yet," he declared. "Remember that the Red Army was not built between 1938 and 1940. It had been training for 15 years.

# Signal Corps Runs Line to Dawson

Today an Army officer can pick up his telephone in Washington, or at any other point in the Army communications system, and speak directly to Dawson Creek, British Columbia, far northern way-station on the Alcan Highway.

Behind this simple statement is one of the great stories of Army accomplishment. It is a story of almost super-human effort by the Signal Corps in which great barriers of virgin territory, severe snowstorms and sub-zero temperatures were overcome.

The first section of the telephone line, which eventually will follow the entire 2,060-mile length of the Alcan Highway, joined Edmonton, Alberta, to Dawson Creek, and tied in with regular facilities at Helena, Mont. Actually only eight days were consumed in stringing the wire over a distance which corresponds to that

# Names on Wall Used to Find Soldiers

CAMP BOWIE, Tex.—The state placards which adorn the gallery walls at Service Club No. 1 at Camp Bowie have proved highly useful as well as ornamental, Mrs. C. Hill Stevenson, director, reported. Since the space under the drawing is for soldiers' names, the 48 placards have been almost as instrumental as a locator system.

The placards with water color drawings of the States of the Union, with the State flower and State motto of each, were presented to the club by the Brownwood Art League. Below the drawings, space was al-

lotted for soldiers to write in their names. When a card is filled, it is placed on file, and a new card is inserted in the frame which holds the drawing.

Today a large filing system is on hand, containing the names of soldiers who previously were stationed here, and also the names of soldiers who now visit the Service Club.

Once a soldier from Florida, looking over the Minnesota calendar, saw the name of a soldier he recognized as a college chum. The men were graduated together and had not seen each other for two years. It was a

simple matter, from there on, to find the college pal.

Still another time, a civilian artist was looking for a soldier-friend. Since the man's organization was not available, the records failed. In 30 minutes time, however, a search of the placards disclosed the name of the soldier and his unit.

The placards are in no way complete and, of course, give only a limited amount of information, but many a soldier has met "home town buddies" after reading the names on the 48 placards at the Camp Bowie Service Club No. 1.

# Noted Iceland Now in Army

CAMP CLAIBORNE, La.—Pvt. Ragnar Hjalmarsson Rgnar of the 103d Division came to this country from Iceland Nov. 23, 1941.

A pianist of note in Iceland and Canada, Private Rgnar received the decoration, "Order of Falcon," from the Iceland Government in 1939. He

also is very well known as the conductor of the famous Iceland Male Voice Choir of Winnipeg.

Private Rgnar has the distinction of also being one of the few members of the Army who can speak, write and read the Icelandic language. He worked at odd jobs to gather money for his musical education which was started in his early youth when his father taught him the piano.

His home is just a few miles from the Arctic Circle and for three weeks in December the sun never shines. The reverse is true during June when the sun never sets for two weeks.

His ancestry can be traced back to 874 A.D. The Icelandic Congress originated in 870 A.D., making Iceland, the oldest Democracy in the world and Private Rgnar's ancestry played an important part in the

formation of Iceland as a country. His grandparents were among the first Icelanders to journey to this country, settling in Nebraska, but later returning to Iceland.

When Private Rgnar entered the United States he applied immediately for his first citizenship papers. He says that the letters he received from home inform him of the fine spirit shown by American soldiers now in Iceland and that his people welcome them wholeheartedly. Private Rgnar is delighted with Army life, even though he says KP at times is hard on his talented hands. Rgnar is organizing a choir for the 103d Division and plays the chapel organ in the absence of the regular organist.

IN 1789, a U.S. lieutenant colonel received the same pay as a 1942 private—\$50 a month.

# Legion Head Wants Army Staff to Run the War

A demand for increased civilian hour production by American labor on the home front and for less interference with the Army's plan for fighting the war as determined by the General Staff was made in Washington this week by Roane Waring, national commander of the American Legion.

Sharply critical of "some of the proposed changes in our war policy," Mr. Waring addressed members of the Senate and House Military and Naval Affairs Committees, the House World War Veterans Committee and Legionnaires assembled for annual committee meetings.

"It is the Army's responsibility to give orders as to where to fight, when to fight and how to fight," said Mr. Waring. "With this responsibility it must also control the number and composition of troops. No manpower commission and no civilian committee or group can wisely determine such a question."

"The American Legion stands at the Army's judgment. Before we change the Army's plans for fighting this war, let us on the home front put our own houses in order."

ONLY 24 pounds of beans are included in the ton of food served to each American soldier a year.

# WD Sets Photo Rules For All Army Posts

Photographers and artists who have permission to work on military subjects must be accompanied by an officer, enlisted man, or by plant protection personnel in all military installations, the War Department announces.

Emphasizing the security measures covering photographs and drawings, it was reiterated that no cameras or other photographic equipment will be allowed on any post, camp, station or other installation except with express permission of the commanding officer, and within such time limitation as he may specify.

Persons without such permission will surrender their cameras on en-

tering any Army installation except with express permission of the commanding officer, and within such time limitation as he may specify.

Persons without such permission will surrender their cameras on entering any Army installation and receive them on leaving.

Violators of these regulations will be turned over to the commanding officer and their equipment confiscated.

Examples of subjects of which photographs, drawings, sketches or maps are not permitted, except when expressly authorized, include men and equipment on maneuvers, materiel in transit, and wrecks of any items of military equipment.

# Florida, Lovely Florida—O Yeah!

By S/Sgt. Tipton Blish  
CAMP CARRABELLE, Fla.—One of the newest and certainly one of the most desolate and remote of the Army's training centers, Camp Carrabelle, is just now undergoing a period of exploration and colonization by the rugged pioneers of the 38th "Cyclone" Division. Because it is a camp that many other units may visit at some period of their training the Cycloners have compiled a short history and guide to the place that may be useful to later settlers.

Camp Carrabelle with its surrounding country is, if you care to believe some of the native authorities, a place of considerable importance in history. It is better that way since, as anyone can plainly see, it has no future.

De Soto Spots It

First white man to get Carrabelle's sand in his hair and shoes was the Spanish explorer, Hernando De Soto, who landed at nearby Apalachicola exactly 400 years ago. He had sailed from Spain in command of a fleet of seven ships provided by the King, looking for the gold that was supposed to be cluttering up the Florida landscape.

According to an old Spanish latrine proverb, he came to Carrabelle on what he expected to be payday, took one look at the place, decided he would rather be redlined, and headed west. He got as far as the Mississippi River, got credit for discovering it and died, presumably from disappointment when he learned the land across the river was fit only for military maneuvers.

Local sages (Crackers to you) also credit him with bringing along a herd of pigs which got loose and turned out to be the ancestors of the razorbacks that have been infesting the Florida swamp jungles ever since. Incidentally these same wise Crackers warn you to be very careful about offending any of these porkers you encounter while on a swamp reconnaissance problem.

Hogs Kinda Hippy

Razorbacks are pretty snouty about associating with soldiers and the boys can be bad customers when they get tough with their tusks, of

which they have four—each about six inches long and that sharp. Even the more or less legendary bears and wildcats of the Carrabelle back country are said to be supercareful about avoiding the razorbacks and soldiers are advised to do likewise. Chances are just as good for a pig to make a hot-dogface out of a soldier as vice versa.

When De Soto landed the only inhabitants he found in the neighborhood were Creek Indians, whom he termed a poor race living miserably in squalid huts. Judging by his description of these early settlers things haven't changed much.

According to schoolbook history, these Indians finally staged an uprising and were defeated by Andrew Jackson in 1841. As a result of this defeat the braves were moved to Indian Territory in Oklahoma where they struck oil and lived fairly happily ever after.

Don't Believe It

Frankly, we have our own ideas on the subject. Obviously the reason the Indians rebelled was that they

wanted to get out of Florida. We believe the Indians whipped General Jackson, accomplished their objective and moved west, leaving this part of the country to whatever whites might want it.

The first store was built in Carrabelle in 1886 and for about 20 years there was a fairly enterprising lumber and fishing town until it burned up. Later a lot of Greeks came and established a thriving sponge fishing industry but they finally took their sponges and left to open restaurants in other parts of the country. Everybody else went home until there was no one left to take over the place but the Army.

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# Sill Opens Math School for OC's

FORT SILL, Okla.—Accepted officer candidates from the Field Artillery Replacement Training Center at Fort Sill will find their mathematical life easier from now on in the Field Artillery Officer Candidate School here with the inauguration of a new preparatory course in mathematics.

The new school is conducted each evening from 7 to 9 p.m. Mondays through Fridays. Field Artillery mathematics are being taught to the men who are awaiting assignment to Fort Sill's Field Artillery Officer Candidate School.

Designed to help those who have difficulty in mathematics, the course is limited to soldiers who need assistance and is not open to men who are well grounded in trigonometry, algebra and geometry. Forty-five men take the course each week, beginning on Monday evenings.



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ON GUARD in Hawaii are organizations of Negro troops from the mainland. One AA unit is made up largely of men from New York, while a security battalion is assigned to break up parachute invasions with highly mobile equipment. Enjoying a meal here are: Cpl. John L. Sellers, Columbus, Ga.; Pvt. Joseph English, Greensboro, Ga.; Pvt. Bennie Samuel, Albany, Ga., and Pvt. John Preston, Tampa, Fla.

## Wildcats Wail

CAMP RUCKER, Ala.—Next time he'll be wearing them. Because the lack of chevrons on his overcoat made a "recruit" out of Sgt. Major Floyd Weed of the 321st Infantry, Wildcat Division.

On a recent field problem an officer who was looking for a detail to fill up some fox holes saw Sergeant Weed sitting in a truck in his chevronless overcoat and ordered the sergeant major to get to work under the direction of a corporal.

Sergeant Weed didn't like to admit that he hadn't gotten around to sewing his chevrons on, so he took a shovel, and with a grinning corporal prodding him, made the dirt fly.

Better late than never! Pvt. "Chattanooga" Henson of Company F, 322nd Infantry, has just been added to the long list of those soldiers who, long after they began training with the Wildcats, have received draft board notices ordering them to report for induction.

The destruction of enemy communications may turn out to be the specialty of one rifle shot of Battery B, 316th Field Artillery. The battery was winding up its combat firing when this soldier, the last man on the last squad, fired at an open target, shot low and severed one complete line of telephone wire and all but four strands of a second line.

Serving with the Wildcat Division is becoming a tradition in the family of W. D. D'Ambly of the 3rd Company, 323rd Training Battalion. His father was a member of the original 81st in the first World War and saw plenty of action.

One private, let's call him Private No. 1, of Headquarters Battery, 316th Field Artillery, seems to like looking for trouble. Anyway, while he was helping Private No. 2 wrap a Christmas package for No. 2's girlfriend, No. 1 slipped a note inside saying that he (No. 1) would write her a letter if he could catch No. 2 with his head turned. A few days later No. 1 received a nice long letter from No. 2's girlfriend.

## New Names Given Signal Corps Training Centers

CAMP CROWDER, Mo.—Maj. Gen. Walter E. Prosser announced the name of the big Signal Corps training center here had been changed from Midwestern to Central Signal Corps Training Center.

General Prosser is commanding General of the center, which includes the Central Signal Corps School, the Central Signal Corps Replacement Training Center and the Central Signal Corps Unit Training Center.

The Midwestern Signal Training Center, consisting of the school, replacement training center and unit training center, each under the name of "Midwestern," was activated and

## Bugler Has His Troubles Too

or

## They Oughta Give Him a Medal

PINE CAMP, N. Y.—Almost since the Army began—any Army, for that matter—soldiers have been trying to devise ignominious deaths or mayhem for those raucous tooters of the clarion horn, whose musical renditions shatter the rosiest and most beautiful dreams of morning and awaken soldiers to the cold, stern realities of military life and arduous duties.

But, when the bugles themselves begin playing tricks on the buglers, then, say the student buglers of Cpl. Herb Dube's class at Pine Camp, that's going a darned sight too far!

### Some Facts

Witness the following: Corporal Dube organized a buglers' school on instruction of his commanding officer and a number of promising young tooters were assigned to learn from their astute tutor, the corporal, just how those dream-dispelling and work-compelling notes are twisted through the curves of the bugles and still come out as sweet as possible.

One morning, one of Corporal Dube's proteges reported for buglers' class with a strange lisp to his voice and looking not at all like he had the day before. Lo and behold, the student-tooter informed the corporal that he had actually blown some of his front teeth loose from his dental plate by the earnestness of his puffing into the mouth of the bugle. That's the old school, do-or-die spirit, eh?

### No Place to Practice

Troubles never come but in bunches, as the sage once said.

And Corporal Dube's troubles with his embryo buglers sure came in large bunches. During the recent cold snap at this post, one of the students came into the barracks where the corporal resides. The frigid temperatures had pulled a fast one on the unsuspecting young bugler—his lips had become adhered to the cold metal of the bugle and required thawing before they could be freed—at cost of some square inches of tender skin.

Another of the student buglers, being of the innocent genus homo, decided to do a little extra-curricular practice—and, of all places, chose the barracks! Now leave it to any soldier—would you stand for a bugler practicing in your barracks? Neither would these soldiers, and the next thing the young horn tooter knew, he was the victim of a barrage of shoes and whatnots that left him much the worse for wear and tear and his bugle somewhat dented. That ended effectively his bugling aspirations.

Well, Corporal Dube then tried out a scheme for practicing in a nearby recreation hall, little realizing that the actors and temperamental "primadonnas" of the Theater Section simply could not "give their all" for dear old Pine Camp's dramatic welfare with a bunch of noisy buglers filling the atmosphere with sour notes and walls and screeches that sounded like a tomatoes' convention. So the buglers' school had to move—and rapidly.

The only building which was sufficiently far from adjacent barracks where it would not disturb many soldiers or lead to various acts of mayhem upon buglers was the Post Gas Chamber, where the Chemical Warfare Section tries to make gas airdales out of soldiers. And it was here that Corporal Dube and his tooters finally made their last stand. But even this gas chamber can be used only when not used for training—then it is filled with tear gas, which not even the most ardent bugler can stand.

The last seen or heard of Corporal Dube in regard to his buglers' school was that he was going around camp muttering and mumbling to himself about the unfairness of everything to buglers, being shifted from one place to another to instruct his proteges, falling teeth, cold weather and damaged bugles, but swearing to high heaven that he intended to make good buglers of his charges or "break a leg".

But, don't worry, fellows—reveille, chow call and retreat will be sounded as usual.

## JAPANESE LINGO

In five months Japanese Lingo has sold almost 6,000 copies, gone into a thoroughly revised 2nd Edition and become the basis of a course at the N. Y. Institute of Finance. The card game method for languages has proved not only good fun but practical. At the Institute students were half-way through Lingo's 90 cards in seven lessons and used the Japanese idiom with assurance.

Military German Lingo has joined the Lingo family and Military French Lingo is well on the way. Both are tailored to the needs of the moment, both require a slight prior knowledge of the language and both are arranged to review rules of syntax.

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## Sergeant Claims He Has Best Job in Army

CAMP CAMPBELL, Ky. — "From border to border and coast to coast" may indicate a famous Sunday night broadcast to many folks but to Sgt. Holland I. Moore, Corps of Military Police, it means his job in the Army.

Sergeant Moore's job is to return military prisoners to their proper stations. In the 23 months that Moore has been in the Army his assignments have carried him a greater distance than the circumference of the earth—all of it within the confines of the United States. These trips have taken him to near-by Camp Breckenridge and to posts as distant as Camp Edwards, Mass.,

Camp Shelby, Miss., and Fort Lewis, Wash.

In the job he held before entering the service, Moore was already preparing for his military assignment. He worked for the Indiana State Farm Bureau. This job required him to travel throughout the state.

### Proved Himself

Moore entered the service Jan. 31, 1942, at Ft. Benjamin Harrison, Ind., and was immediately assigned to the Corps of Military Police. After completing his basic training he was sent on several short trips with prisoners. The ease and dispatch with which he carried out his duties pleased his superiors and resulted in longer journeys.

Upon being transferred to Camp Campbell in July, 1942, Sergeant Moore was well on the road to establishing his record as the most widely traveled man in camp. Subsequent trips to camps in New Jersey, South Carolina, Georgia, Wisconsin, New Mexico, Idaho and other states have merely added to this record.

### Interesting Experiences

He has had dozens of interesting experiences. On one trip he delivered a soldier who had overstayed his furlough, to a point of embarkation just in time to sail overseas. Another time Sergeant Moore was sent to bring in a soldier who was absent without leave so he could be given his discharge from the Army.

The sergeant, who is 23, estimates his total military travel, most of it by train, at just under 26,000 miles.

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## Where Is the Luftwaffe?

Recent dispatches have thrown enough light on the subject to permit some sort of answer to the question: "Where is the German Air Force and what shape is it in?"

Well, it is still a very formidable dragon, but a somewhat reluctant one. It does not want to fight any more than it has to. The fact is that German air strength is declining while that of the Allies is mounting daily. And now it seems likely, say the experts, that the Luftwaffe's present plight is likely to grow worse as time passes. The war, it is believed, has already lasted too long for Hitler ever to regain mastery of the air over Europe.

The RAF alone is now stronger than the air arms of Germany and Italy together, but it is dispersed and cannot be brought in force against the Axis partners. American production is greater than that of all the Fascist powers combined. German losses have been extremely heavy—an estimated 2500 a month on all fronts. Last year some 3200 Axis planes were shot down over Europe and Africa, hundreds more destroyed on the ground. Allied losses in the same theaters did not exceed 2500 planes.

Still, Goering has at his disposal right now 4000 or 5000 first-line aircraft. That would be a tough force to beat if it were based entirely on the Continent across the channel from England. But it is not. Hitler is fighting a full-scale war on two fronts—Russia and the Mediterranean.

It is estimated that 35 per cent of the Luftwaffe's first-line strength is now engaged on Germany's eastern front in Russia, another 25 per cent on the Mediterranean. The rest of the badly stretched German Air Force is scattered throughout Europe, with at least 900 planes in France, mostly in the north, another 700 night fighters tied down defending German cities and the remainder spread all over the "conquered" countries.

The Nazis do not have more than 200 aircraft in Tunis, and these are mostly fighters. There are probably 700 more, however, based on Sicily and southern Italy. General Rommel is believed to have fewer than 100 planes at his disposal in Tripolitania.

## This Is Official Purely Personal

AT ANY TIME during the war you may expect a sudden change of station. You will want to know that your family is being protected during your absence. Now is the time to arrange your personal affairs—and theirs; you may be too busy later on. This series of articles will help you to do so. The material is taken from the War Department's booklet, "Personal Affairs of Military Personnel and Their Dependents," and is therefore official. Of course, all laws are subject to change. To keep the record straight, each section that follows will indicate the date on which the specific laws were in effect.—Ed.

### Section XX—Instalment 10

#### Army Emergency Relief

91. Purpose.—Army Emergency Relief was organized by the War Department for the Army to give help to all soldiers and their dependents who require assistance whenever and wherever help is needed. The Army has always cared for its own. The primary purpose of the organization is to extend assistance quickly where it will do the most good. There is a minimum of delay between the time of application and actual granting of relief, the time lapse being only such as will permit prompt investigation into the merits of the case, the need for help, and the type of relief required. Since Army Emergency Relief is administered by officers and men of the Army of the United States, by War Department employees, and by volunteer civilian workers, it has no overhead or deduction of any sort for administration or other purposes.

92. Scope.—The organization serves the personnel of the Army of the United States, regardless of grade or length of service. Dependents of soldiers will be aided in case of need, irrespective of degree of relationship. Funds for relief are raised by contributions, by membership in the organization (available to soldiers and civilians alike) and from the proceeds of entertainments and benefits. Relief may be granted in the form of money, by loans, by aid in kind (including fuel, medical and dental care, and hospitalization), by assistance in securing pensions, compensation, insurance and allotments, and by information, consultant, placement, and supervisory services.

93. Where and how to apply.—A. In order to permit quick relief where it is needed, Army Emergency Relief has been decentralized to branches and sections throughout the United States and its possessions. Sections are located at all Army posts, camps, stations, and air fields, where applications for assistance will be received, investigation made, and necessary assistance granted.

B. You may apply for assistance for yourself or your family at the Army Emergency Relief section at your post, camp, or station. If your dependents are in need, be prepared to give their names and addresses and circumstances requiring relief. Inform our dependents that if they are in need of assistance, they may apply to Army Emergency Relief at the post, camp, or station nearest to their home, or the branch located at each service command headquarters or direct to Army Emergency Relief, War Department, Washington, D. C. Be sure to furnish your family with the name and address of the Army post, camp, or station nearest to their home, and with your grade, Army serial number, organization and station or last mailing address, which they should have available when asking for help.

Note.—Information contained in section XX received from Army Emergency Relief, June 23, 1942. Verified correct as of September 9, 1942.

### Section XXI

#### Chaplain Services to Military Personnel and Their Dependents

94. General.—In his pastoral capacity, the chaplain is able materially (Continued on Page 14)

## The Trophy Changes Hands!



## Camouflage Tests May Lead To Revision of FA Manual

FORT SILL, Okla.—Army procedure in the art of camouflaging Field Artillery is to be revised as a result of experiments being conducted at the Field Artillery School by the Corps of Engineers.

After a year of American participation in the current war, Engineer officers have become aware that Field Manual 5-20, the official booklet covering all forms of camouflage, has become outmoded.

Principal reasons for revision of the accepted techniques is the progress made in the field of aerial photography. Therefore, modern deceptional techniques are to be perfected to counteract the advantages given the enemy by improved camera equipment.

The experiments will be carried out at Fort Sill under the supervision of Col. Homer Saint Gaudens, Chief of the Engineer Camouflage Section, who will conduct large scale tests covering types of camouflage perfected during the past year.

Carried out at other camps where only one-gun camouflages were attempted, the tests here will be performed to determine the exact amount of time, material and labor required to conceal a full battery in the field in "fair" terrain.

#### Test Large Groups

The battery, equipped with 105-mm howitzers, will be entrenched on a selected area. A platoon of two 155-mm howitzers and a section of one M-1 155mm. rifle will be included in the tests.

"A complete photographic record will be maintained of the progress of the experiment," said Colonel Saint Gaudens, "beginning with photographs taken of the terrain before the guns are entrenched."

"The battery will move to the selected area, emplacing the weapons and setting up full kitchen, shelter

and sanitation facilities and then aerial and ground photographs again will be taken.

"The firing of hundreds of rounds of ammunition will follow in the fulfillment of several firing problems, in order that exact front-line conditions may be simulated, providing even the ground discolorations left by the powder blasts."

Prescribed regulation nets first will be used by the experimental group, later adding the modern camouflage.

#### Reorganize FM

"The complete photographic record will determine the efficiency of the new camouflage technique," added Colonel Saint Gaudens. "This experiment is part of a scheme to organize our field manuals for overseas troops as well as the troops in training here."

The results of the tests will be used by the Field Artillery School in teaching its students the art of hiding artillery gun emplacements.

Capt. George W. Gordon, Fort Belvoir, Mr. and a group of ground and aerial photographers will assist in carrying out the experiments.

Colonel Saint Gaudens was the World War I commanding officer of Co. A, 40th Engineers, the first camouflage unit to go overseas. The company did little work as a unit, as it was split up to work with various divisions.

Making a study of camouflage techniques following the war, the colonel kept active his reserve commission in the Corps of Engineers.

He worked as a Broadway stage director upon his return from France. His outstanding production was Eugene O'Neill's "Beyond the Horizon," which he staged in 1919.

The son of Augustus Saint Gaudens, the colonel said he possesses none of his father's artistic sensibilities, one of the foremost American abilities.

"I'm an executive, not an artist," he says.

Colonel Saint Gaudens is on a leave of absence from the Carnegie Institute in Pittsburgh, where he is director of the Department of Fine Arts.

## LETTERS

### "Wonderful People"

In all my months in service, I've read the Army Times. And I know that there has been no mention of the wonderful work of the people of Dennison, O. In as long as I can recall there has been a swell job done by these people.

On the 22nd of December en route to my home I had the opportunity to be served by this wonderful way-side service. The train stopped for ten minutes. All servicemen were treated with hot coffee and sandwiches, then handed a Christmas present. The present was made up of the following items: 1 package of cigarettes, 1 package of chewing gum, 1 chocolate candy bar, and a half dozen nuts, (already cracked, just had to remove the shells.) And I'm telling you that the boys surely did appreciate this greeting at Dennison, O.

I was informed that these kind people meet every train that has boys on. So in some way I'm sure the rest of the boys would like to show their appreciation. And I think the Army Times could do a good job in letting the people of Dennison know that the boys from the Army wish to thank these people.

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Camp Livingston, La.

## Wants in Air Forces

## Farmboy Flew Patched Plane

CAMP GRANT, Ill.—Pvt. Harlan Porter, 20-year-old farm boy who made 60 or 70 solo flights in his own second-hand airplane before he ever took a flying lesson, reported to the Camp Grant Recruit Reception Center last week and said he "didn't know a whole lot about flying" but was anxious to learn and "sure would like to do some sky-riding for the Army."

Just inducted, the slim, soft-spoken boy aviator told how he traded a motorcycle for a used plane two year ago, put it in flying shape by working on it in a barn on his

mothers farm, and flew the ship on knowledge he had picked up by reading aviation magazines.

**Learned a Lot**  
"I took the wings off and worked on them up in the hay mow," Private Porter said. "I used tools we had around the farm and materials from a mail-order house. I didn't know much about planes when I started but I learned quite a bit before I got through."

Porter, who had been in the air only three times in his life before he took his own ship up, said he wasn't at all nervous about making his first trip. Taking off from a hayfield, with no one but the farm's hired man in sight, he went up, cruised for about 10 minutes and brought the plane back down without a mishap.

"No, I wasn't nervous," he smiled quietly, "but it was a thrill to know I could handle Fido." "Fido" was the name he gave to his orange and silver ship, a two-seated model, 18 feet long, powered by a four-cylinder engine taken from a Model "A" Ford automobile.

## Never Had License

Flying sometimes in a pilot's suit which he had bought for \$5 and sometimes in overalls and a straw hat, Porter made between 60 and 70 flights with "Fido." He never had the ship licensed, chiefly because, if he had, he wouldn't have been able to fly it.

Porter never took any passengers on his trips, although his pals often asked to go along. "Not having a license, I didn't think it would be right to take any one else up," he said. Even his 17-year-old sister came under the ban, though she was "always asking me for a ride."

With the help of a neighbor, Porter built a hanger for his plane on his mother's farm. Before he had the hanger, he kept the ship outside, next to the barn, with a tarpaulin protecting the wings and ropes anchoring it to the ground. Last summer he sold "Fido" and

started taking flying lessons. He now has a students license "authorizing" him to fly alone. His total flying time—"legal and illegal, dual and solo," as he puts it—amounts to 50 hours, 30 of which were spent in "Fido."

Porter said he hopes he will be assigned to the Air Corps. He tried to enlist in that organization last spring but was turned down because of sinus trouble.

## Didn't Black Out

"They told me it would make me 'black out' in a power dive," he said. He has hopes, however, that sinus won't continue to keep him out of the air force. After he was turned down, he tried a dive in Fido "just to see what would happen."

"It burned out the bearings in the engine but it didn't do anything to me," he asserted. "I hope they decide to let me fly."

Asked what would have happened if he had "blackened out" during the power dive, Porter grew thoughtful. "I guess it would have proved I was wrong," he mused.

It's All But Over...  
Finkle Casts Evil Eye  
At Our Opponents

By Pfc. H. H. Harris

MIAMI BEACH AAFTC, Fla.—Victory was considerably nearer the grasp of the United Nations this week with successes reported in every theater of operations and the dramatic appearance here in 595 TSS of Pvt. Ben "Evil-Eye" Finkle, he of the baleful left optic of strange and sinister powers.

"My Eye belongs to the Air Forces now," reported Private Finkle, who in his days of mufti hired the Eye out to various gentry of the prize fighting profession. From ringside at Madison Square Garden, Finkle would glare at his client's opponent, thus inducing defeat.

"This war'll be over just as soon as I can focus my slobodka stare on Adolph the Louse. I really have my heart in this one," added Finkle whose hexing prowess has been unplumbed and untested by science. But the power of his rampant retina is accepted with the same avidity as legal tender by the denizens of Jacobs Beach, where men both walk on, and sometimes are, heels.

A character who has stepped out from the pages of Damon Runyon, Private Finkle now is clad in combat GI habiliment. But he remains Finkle even without the necktie of many colors. Transferred from the Quartermaster Corps, Camp Lee, Va., to complete basic training here, Finkle buckled right down to the chores of building up his body and his Eye for the supreme test. He is through practicing the half-hearted hexes. Finkle figures the blue chips are down now and that civilization as we want it to be is depending on him.

"This business with Hitler will be one of them labors of love," he deposes.

Private Finkle reached the peak of his peering career a few years back when he hexed on a part-time basis one night for three different fighters and brought in three wins. He does very little free lancing, however, because spreading the power of his Eye over too large of a surface is apt to dissipate its potency.

The Eye plans to keep his awful optic under wraps until the proper time to use it. That announcement will prompt all first sergeants to draw breaths of relief.

## Club for 'Chewing Fat'

CAMP STEWART, Ga.—More than 40 World War I veterans from Camp Stewart have organized a "Retreat Club" at the nearby Hinesville NCCS-USO.

Officers for the club were elected at the second meeting on Thursday. The club has been organized to afford the "ole timers an opportunity to get together and 'chew the fat'."

Army Cooks and Bakers  
Trained at Pickett

CAMP PICKETT, Va.—Two Bakers and Cooks Schools now have 788 students engaged in learning the vital Army arts of giving well-cooked, attractively presented foods to the world's hungriest men, the Army of the United States.

One school operates for soldiers of the Medical Replacement Training Center and another for men of Second Army units training here and for the 1318th Service Unit.

In the Medical Center, the B and C School is commanded by Maj. W. D. Reiber. First Lt. J. V. Newman directs the Sub-School of the

1332nd Service Unit (Fort George G. Meade, Md.) for training men in the Second Army and the Service Unit.

There are now about 120 students at the school directed by Lieutenant Newman and 668 men taking training at the MRTC unit. Recently, a class of 38 Second Army mess officers was graduated from the former group. They are commissioned officers trained in duties of supervising messes for their organizations, procurement of food and supervision of accounts. The course was a special two-week one. Regular courses for enlisted men last for anywhere from 30 to 60 days.

Since the beginning of the MRTC B & C School, almost 4000 men have been trained in its classrooms and kitchens. At the time of its opening at Camp Lee, Va., Feb. 24, 1941, the school began instructing the original cadre in cooking and mess management, with a single Replacement Center officer in charge and three enlisted men of the 1332nd Service Unit helping him.

The cadre students were then gradually released from the school to open new messes as each new company was activated.

## Lucky 13

CAMP STEWART, Ga.—Thirteen is usually the proverbial jinx number—but not for Lt. Edward J. Malloy, new Laundry Officer at Camp Stewart.

In fact, No. 13 seems to recur consistently in a fortunate way for Lieutenant Malloy, instead of unluckily.

Born on Friday, the 13th, he reported to Officer Candidate School at Camp Lee, Va., on Aug. 13th, attended school 13 weeks, studied 13 subjects, and graduated on Friday, the 13th.

Pine Camp Soldiers Enroll  
In Army Institute Courses

PINE CAMP, N. Y.—Pine Camp soldiers, in company with thousands of soldiers, sailors, coastguardsmen and marines in this country and overseas have enrolled for correspondence instruction through the Army Institute. They have found, in the Institute, the opportunity to meet the educational requirements of promotion, and assignment to duty which they are otherwise qualified to perform.

For the nominal enrollment fee, for each course, of \$2 payable to the Treasurer of the United States, by money order, cashier's check, or a certified check, the soldier-student may enroll in any one of 64 subjects in the eight fields of study offered by the Army Institute. He is expected to maintain a minimum ac-

tivity record of at least one lesson each month.

When application for enrollment in a university extension course is desired, the applicant will make his remittance payable to the treasurer of the institution in which he seeks enrollment. The Government will pay one half the total cost of tuition and text, not to exceed \$20 for any one course. Seventy-eight colleges and universities are cooperating in the program to bring instruction for college credit to the men in the Services.

In recognition of the needs of the men in the armed forces, the War Department established the Army Institute at Madison, Wisconsin, in March, 1942. The Institute has provided the opportunity for enlisted personnel to continue their education while in the Army, through Army Institute and university extension courses, so as to contribute to their military efficiency, and prove beneficial to them upon their return to civil life. Recent Navy Department participation has also made this educational program available to naval, coast guard, and marine personnel.

## Greeks at Carson

CAMP CARSON, Colo.—This post has been selected as the training ground for a battalion of Greek nationals, authorized recently by Secretary of War Stimson.

Fort  
Sillables

FARC, FORT SILL, Okla.—For the first time in its two years of existence, the Field Artillery Replacement Training Center here will have a service club all its own.

Scheduled to be completed February 1, the club will have a cafeteria, soft drink bar, dance floor, game room, library and all the other requisites for soldier happiness.

The Special Service Office of the Replacement Center has announced that opening night will feature a radio broadcast, floor show, dances and other highlights in a rounded program of festivities.

There'll be hamburgers, too, unless it opens on meatless Tuesday.

## WHAT, NO PIE-THROWING?

If the enemy should get too close to his kitchen, Pvt. Anthony J. Lenger, cook at Battery A, 33rd Battalion, figures he'll invoke his versatility—he's equally as good with a rifle as he is slinging hash.

Although he had never fired a gun before he went out on the range recently, Private Lenger rang up a two-day score of 152 out of a possible 175 and 161 out of 175.

Lenger claims he's a mean man at whipping cake batter but refuses to comment on the possibility of pie as a weapon.

## FAITHFUL TO THE END

There's a vacant stall in the stables of Battery A, 26th Battalion, and "Cricket", canine battery mascot, is lonesome.

Her old friend, "Beck", wheel-horse and favorite animal of the horsedrawn outfit, is dead.

For a week, Cricket stood guard over her friend, disregarding rain and wintry weather, while Sgt. Cecil C. Curtis, stable sergeant, and crews of picked men labored to save the stricken animal's life.

When the end came, the little dog left her big friend. True to service traditions, she was at her accustomed place in the battery road march next day.

## LITTER BEARER!

The men of Battery B, 33rd Battalion, which trains clerks, are convinced they could become masters in the Medical Department overnight.

To prove it, they offered the following list of medical definitions:

1. First aid—One of several societies, the others being Ladies Aid, Missionaries Aid and Lemon Aid.
2. Germ—Native of Germany.
3. Tourniquet—Game or contest.
4. Capillary—Fuzzy worm.
5. Venous—Grecian goddess without any arms.
6. Faint—OD-colored liquid used in coloring GI cans.
7. Dislocated joint—Beer tavern "off limits."
8. Gas casualty—"A" card only.
9. Puncture—Part of a slang expression for cowboy, i. e.: "cow puncture."
10. Litter—Bunch of little pigs.
11. Pressure points—Stops made by military letter going through channels.
12. Abdominal—Detestable, loathsome.
13. Enema—Unfriendly or antagonistic person.
14. Cramp—Bivouac area.

## HERE, THERE, EVERYWHERE

No less than five countries—Holland, France, Germany, Poland and the United States—have been the homes of Pvt. Fred G. Heldt, now in training here.

Born in Poland 24 years ago, Heldt worked in a German chemical plant, labored in a French orchard, sold glass in Holland and tended bar in Buffalo, N. Y., where he was inducted in the Army. He's now training in Battery B, 33rd Battalion.

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## A Short Story The Passing of Jive

By Pvt. Jack Gormley,  
Camp Shelby, Miss.

ZOOT Lindy, pride of Roseland, the guy they had to give plenty of room at the New Yorker when Benny Goodman played there or he'd cut their legs off, walked into PX No. 29. It was the first time he had ever been in the Army's glorified general store.

Zoot had been in the Army three days. He was with hunger. His ears were knocking themselves out from silence. For 72 hours Zoot had heard only cadence counts and the mechanical snare drum of the train down into the obscure regions of some foreign nation not reachable by subway.

"Whether he's comin' on or goin'..."

The dusty marching expression on Zoot's face vanished. "Mr. Five by Five," quoth he. He walked over to the beer counter in subdued four-four time, and would have asked the canteen barmaid to make with the feet if he could have made himself heard.

Zoot hit the road to the PX from then on every evening he didn't have to clean a rifle or scrub a floor or wash 100-gallon pots or sweep the parade grounds. For the first few weeks, Zoot was a familiar sight, restraining himself to mild hysteria as the jump notes hit his hot hooves.

Habitual 3.2 guzzlers, the coke lads and even the M.P. soon noticed that Zoot appeared to slow down. He would stand still near the juke box for minutes. He would gaze at it sorrowfully. Harry James no longer broiled his boots, Miller had ceased to send him.

ANOTHER week saw Zoot get the steam up. A slow burn was knocking him out. Anyone could see it was either him or the machine. Something had to give.

He was standing by the juke when he got it. He really got it. He yelled so loud every corporal of the guard in camp woke up. He jumped on top of the rhythm box and everyone crowded around it.

"I can't stand it," he screamed. "It's driving my brains rainy! My feet's sleet! Listen. For

weeks now I've heard 'When My Blue Moon Turns To Gold Again.' I brought my own ear-cotton for 'There's a Star-Spangled Banner Waving Somewhere.' I shut myself in the phone booth for 'I Didn't Hear Nobody Pray'. Listen: 'White Christmas' leaves me cold. 'Mr. Five by Five,' oughta be in a six-by-six. I wish nobody had never met her on Monday.

"Who changes 'em?" That's what he said. "Who puts 'em here? How do they get here? Do they grow in the machines? Are we gonna have 'At Last' for the duration, and six months too? What is the story?" He said all that. "Are you gonna stand for it? How can a guy lift out of his socks to a platter which boiled six months ago but's outa heat now?"

HE JUMPED up and down on top of the juke, starting "I Had The Craziest Dream" all over again.

"Isn't there a general order on this sweatbox?" He was still talking, and the mob was giving him the nod. "What's with it, anyhow?" He kept on making with the questions. "I'd kill 300 Japs if they'd let me change 'Night Train to Memphis.' Who is this guy Acuff? Why don't they send him back to the reservation? I'll Fireball Mail him. Izzat why they make these things with bars all over them? So nobody can't get in and put in another record?"

He couldn't stop. "Who's the citizen who dunks the disks in this dead donkey? Was he born in a silo? A little corn on the side is O.K., but this gent pushes out a whole barn-full. Listen, guys, this has gotta stop. Something's gotta be done. There must be some way of putting some more canned heat in this thing. There's gotta be a way of giving the brusheroo to this hill-billy jive while they're at it, too. I'm blowin' my top, gang, I'm blowin' my top!"

It was too much for him. Someone had put in a nickel for "Every Night About This Time" and those saxes hit him in the ears for the 100th time in six days. He passed out.

There aren't any juke in Ward 85.

## Channels of Communication

*This article is dedicated to those members of the armed forces that are unfortunate enough to be caught in the catacombs of the various record sections throughout the Army. Any similarity between the characters of this story and that of any person, living or otherwise, is purely a matter of "if the shoe fits, wear it."*

By M/Sgt. John Zukowski,  
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Presidio of San Francisco, Calif.  
Our scene opens in an office of the Army of the United States. Where? It doesn't matter, paper work is paper work and the procedure is universal throughout. "The morning breaks eternal, bright and fair". The General has appeared and is in very good humor. After chatting with his executive officers for a few minutes, he examines the stack of papers that bulge in his tray, desk, wood, cap-size. One of the first bits of correspondence he views is a letter entitled "Familiarization of Officers of the Army with Army Extension Courses", from the Infantry School at Ft. Benning, Georgia.

The correspondence is of a routine nature, but the particular subject is a pet of the General's and demands that anything in that connection be given to him. It seems that the General, at one time or another, was an instructor at the Infantry School and has retained a complex on material emanating from the school dealing with extension courses. So, with enthusiasm, he sets about to give it his immediate attention. He presses a buzzer for his Chief Clerk.

Rough & Ready

His Chief Clerk is a product of the old Army, rough and ready, definitely not clerical material, but steady and dependable. What he lacks in intelligence, he more than balances with sincere and conscientious loyalty.

"Sergeant, I'd like to have the letter which we wrote to the 121st Armored Division concerning 'Familiarization of Officers of the Army with Army Extension Courses'."

"What was the date of the letter, sir?"

"I believe it was dated December 16th. Just a few days ago."

The Chief Clerk, in turn, checks with his own files section.

"Sergeant Brown, would you check and see if we have a letter, prepared in this office, on the subject of 'Familiarization of the Army with Army Extension Courses', to the

21st Division. It was dated September 16th."

Sergeant Brown makes a search and reports that if we had written the letter, we failed to keep a copy of it. He's afraid he'll have to check with the Records Section.

On his way to the Records Section, one of the colonels of the section stops him and asks that he be given the communication which he had yesterday, and had sent it

to the surgeon for comment. Subject "Sterilization of Dogs Unfit for further Military Service", date, file number, etc. It is very important that he get it back as soon as possible and wouldn't Sergeant Brown attend to it personally? Yes, Sir! Sergeant Brown comes back and asks one of his clerks to run down to Records and get this letter for the General.

About Horses?

"The subject is 'Sterilization of the Army Extension Courses', that doesn't sound right, does it? Let's see now... I think it was... Yes! It was 'Sterilization Courses for the Army', and it was dated September 16th, I'm sure that was the date of the letter. Anyway, that's the gen-

## Eustis Parade

With Sgt. Jim Klutts

FORT EUSTIS, Va. — Brig. Gen. Edward A. Stockton became the new commanding general of this Post on January 9th, succeeding Brig. Gen. Forrest E. Williford, who was transferred to a new command... General Stockton was commanding general at Camp Wallace, Tex. before assuming command here.

With a record of three victories and one defeat behind them, the Fort Eustis basketballers are pointing for Sunday's clash with the strong Camp Lee cagers. A win over the Lee-men would be a big boost to the locals, since the former club is rated as one of the best, if not the best, service teams in the state. Pacing the Fort Eustis aggregation will be Pfc. Arthur Feldman, player-coach, former Duquesne university star, and Cpl. Dave Greer, a forward who was a member of the Hanes Hosiery team of Winston-Salem, N. C. that won the Carolinas A. A. U. championship last winter.

Pvt. William H. Haskell, of the 4th Battalion, was a member of the Massachusetts State House of Representatives for two terms, running from 1936 until 1940. And Cpl. Charles H. Fried, Jr., of the 8th Battalion, believes in putting on the dog. While on furlough he was married New Year's Day at the Waldorf-Astoria in New York. Getting ritzy, huh?! Cpl. Herbert Margolis is walking in the clouds these days. On a recent visit to Washington he dined with Rosalind Russell. He's now the envy of all the fellows in his outfit.

Pvt. Eddie Browne, well-known in the ring sport as a handler of fighters, is now stationed in Headquarters of Group I here. He's a veteran of 17 years in the boxing game, and has worked with many top-notch mitt-slingers. Cpl. Frank Sousa, of the 3d Battalion, is a veteran of World War I, and has two sons in the present conflict. One is in the Navy, and has seen action in the Solomons and in Africa, while the other is in the Marines. Another son, who is just 17 years old, will probably enlist in the Navy, Corporal Sousa says.

AVERAGE AMERICAN SOLDIER eats a ton of food a year.

eral subject".

Private Green proceeds to the Records Section. He is waylaid by one of his bosom buddies who insists on matching nickels. Present-day privates do have nickles to flip. While flipping the coins, his buddy tells him of the wonderful time he has had at the riding academy Sunday afternoon. What horses! They're really honeys! Why don't you come out with me some afternoon? Private Green manages to tear himself away and into the Records Section.

"I want a letter that was written about three or four months ago. I don't remember the date. No, they didn't say who it was written to... Oh! The subject is... Sterilization of Horses in the Army" !!!

## Battering Ram

By Cpl. Tech. Lester J. Golomb  
CAMP FUNSTON.—The waltz contest at the Service Club Dance Friday night attracted over 100 couples, most of whom seemed to be jitterbugging anyway.

Miss Thayer couldn't resist advertising her forthcoming dancing class while in the midst of pointing out the best features of the winning waltz. She pointedly noted that the waltz would be one of the dances that would be taught.

Interviewed, Miss Thayer bitterly commented that hardly anyone could do the waltz and it was such a beautiful dance.

At the Service Club after almost everyone had left, Cpl. Julius Weiss, the dashing M. P. of the G-3 Traffic Control, demonstrated his version of the ballet. It seemed to be a take-off on Ponchielli "Dance of the Hours" in Walt Disney's Fantasia. Corporal Weiss took the part of the hippopotamus. The highlight of the dance was when Corporal Weiss stopped after a series of graceful pirouettes and let his stomach fall; with a bang.

Corporal Weiss is the only man in the division who can completely conceal his motorcycle by hanging his stomach over the front end.

Since various and sundry longhairs have heard Cpl. Tech. Mike Nardone, 89th Recon, warble arias from some of the better known operas they have been trying to persuade him to sing at various places.

It is not generally known that he is a frustrated second tenor; he always wanted to be a first tenor and his tendency to crack on high notes has relegated him to the falsetto in ducts. He takes first tenor parts while shaving, though.

Nardone has tentatively promised to sing at future Service Club Variety Shows.

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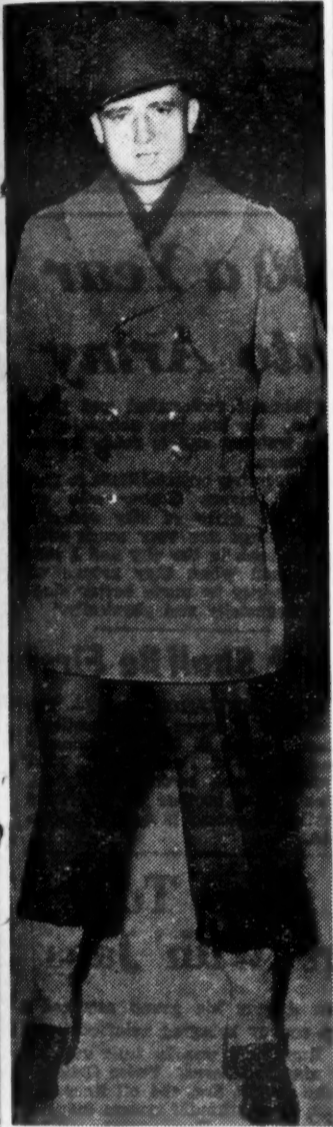
—M. Goodman, Tyndall Field, Fla.

NOTES ON GUNNERY



FORT McCLELLAN, Ala.—Youth will be served—and youth is being served here at the Infantry Replacement Training Center.

Two years ago a gangling kid of 20 enlisted in the Army from his home town, Harlowton, Mont. Recently that same kid, now a smart, efficient, thoroughly trained soldier, became a captain—maybe the young-



**CAPT. Harold G. Quackenbush** is one of the youngest captains of Infantry in the U. S. Army. He received his second bar Nov. 30—and he's just 22 years old. Two years ago he was a buck private at Fort Lewis, Wash., attached to Company D, 163rd Infantry. He attended the Infantry Officers' Training School at Fort Benning from Sept. 12 through Dec. 12, 1941, and came to the Infantry Replacement Training Center at Fort McClellan, Ala., shortly after being commissioned. He is commanding officer of Company A, 16th Battalion.

est captain in the Army—and if not, certainly one of the youngest.

He's Capt. Harold G. Quackenbush, who enlisted Sept. 16, 1940, and learned his soldiering at Fort Lewis, Wash.

Four days short of a full year after enlisting, Sept. 12, 1941, found him enrolled at the Infantry Officers' Training School at Fort Benning, Ga., from which he was graduated on Dec. 12, 1941. His was the first class to be turned out from the famous Infantry School in the present conflict.

First assigned to duty at Camp Wheeler, Ga., Captain Quackenbush served there only a short time before coming here to the IRTC on Jan. 12, 1942.

His Army career has carried him into 42 of the 48 states in pursuit of duty and from buck private he's served variously as company clerk, chief clerk, platoon leader, personnel officer, battalion adjutant, executive officer and finally commanding officer.

Right now he's commanding officer of Company A, 16th Battalion.

Fellow trainees of a stout-hearted fellow in Company C, 25th Bat-

## BOOKS . . .

By Mary Willis

"Rivers of Glory," by F. Van Myok Mason; Lipincott, Philadelphia; \$2.75 (Novel).

With America's first struggle for supremacy on the seas as a background, Lt. Andrew Warren who was one of America's first naval officers, ranges from Boston to Tory New York and thence to turbulent Jamaica in search of medical supplies for the patriot armies—eventually turning up in Savannah in time for the great siege.

It is the old story re-woven of the two lovers, political enemies, and yet irresistibly attracted. And that is the plot in its entirety.

There is some rather quick action, but we are inclined to believe that there is a bit of prejudice in favor of the Americans, which rather defeats its purpose.

"The Officer's Guide"; Military Service Pub. Co., Harrisburg; \$2.50.

An invaluable means of avoiding nervous breakdowns for both old timers and newcomers in this Ninth Edition of the "Officer's Guide" which tells what one is supposed to say to a junior officer who asks the difference between the surrender value and paid-up value of insurance; or that household goods shipped to Panama must be declared on Free Entry Forms prepared in sextuplicate.

Among the contents are such choice articles of information as: The Army Educational System; Assumption of Command; Exercise of Command; Mess Management; Military Courtesy; Foreign Service; Privileges, Rights, and Restrictions of Officers; and Customs of the Service.

We are hanging on to our copy with a dying clutch, assured that we "know all the answers."

"American in Search of a Way," by Walter Morris; MacMillan, N. Y.; \$2.75.

Walter Morris was born in Jahns-town, N. Y., December 29, 1907. On his twelfth birthday Walter began to keep a diary. From then on the reader watches him grow from the stage where "shot off bomb and nearly got pinched"; "got frogs and tad poles"; "put my finger in Buck's mouth and he bit it"; "got neclated to a gang 'flaming cross'"; to the point where he begins to philosophize: "freedom without bread is meaningless. Or rather, freedom without bread means freedom to starve." and then—when war came "the final medical officer looked at my papers and said, 'O.K. You're in the Army now.' And that obviously, is that."

Walter Morris has lived a life rather uneventful on the surface, but he has an ability to communicate and interpret his experiences. Parts of the journal, kept almost steadily since the age of 12, have won him a Hopwood Award at the University of Michigan in 1933, and again in 1934, and a section of it was brought out privately a few years ago in a mimeographed edition, also called "American in Search of a Way."

"Riot Control," by Col. Sterling A. Wood, Infantry; Military Service Publishing Co., Harrisburg, Pa.; 163 pp.; illustrated; \$1.50.

This small, paper-backed profusely illustrated manual is a textbook in a new military subject—the control of unruly populations in conquered areas and the thwarting of enemy fifth-column activities within our own borders. As the author points out, "When military units are called upon to restore law and order, riot tactical decision will be made by battalion and company officers. Many units are only partly trained in riot control."

Specifically, this book deals with weapons, use of gas, riot control formations, training of troops, general tactical principles, legal authority for troops and illustrative problems.

tallon, looked with awe upon that individual one day last week when he blithely welcomed the duty officer, making a routine inspection of the hutments, with a "Hiya, Bud! What can we do for you?"

### HONEST

One for Diogenes! Private Ransome of Company B, 9th Battalion, who upon finding a money belt with \$80 in it straight away carried it to the orderly room and left it up to the first sergeant to locate the owner. He had found it in the latrine.

### MYSTERY STORY

Every now and then into the humdrum routine of everyday life there comes one of those incidents which sets one to pondering such things as mental telepathy, premonition, etc. Out of the routine handling of soldier mail last week came such an incident.

From somewhere in New York a letter was mailed to a trainee here. It was postmarked Jan. 2 and ar-



**THE BARBER SHOP** at the Camp Pickett, Va., Station Hospital post exchange boasts a lady barber, Mrs. Dorothy Mills. Mrs. Mills has been adding the feminine touch to the regular GI haircut for the past three months, and both she and the men of Camp Pickett are pleased with the results. Mrs. Mills says that soldiers make much better customers than do the female patrons of beauty establishments. "They're easier to please," she says, "and they talk a lot less, too."

—Signal Corps Photo

## Soldier Recognizes Art Technique, Finds Buddy

CAMP BLANDING, Fla.—Reunion in Vienna has been replaced by re-union in Blanding.

After five years, two former schoolmates at the Kunstgewerbeschule of Vienna have met again through the medium of art for friendship's sake.

Looking over the soldiers' Art Club exhibit at the service club, Pfc. Leo Glueckselig, of the Military Police stationed here, recognized in several pictures the style of his school chum, Paul Weinstock. Investigation proved him correct, and Private Weinstock, now of the 30th

Division, was greeted by his friend for the first time since they attended the Arts and Crafts School in Vienna in 1937. Since that time Private Weinstock has spent several months in a German concentration camp in Paris before coming to this country a year and a half ago.

Private Glueckselig, whose father was an art dealer in Vienna before the Nazis glutted the market with "aryan art", contributed examples of his own work when the Art Club opened its exhibit at the Civic Art Center in Jacksonville, Fla., Friday.

was open 24 hours, day and night, and that sorting mail in the dark would be somewhat difficult. The OD was satisfied with that, and went off on his appointed rounds, while Corporal Schroeder went back to the mail.

## Oats and Bolts From CRTC

FORT RILEY, Kans.—Shades of Madison Square Garden! The Service Club at the CRTC resembled old-time "fight-nights" in New York when the big boxing show was put on there this week by the Special Service office. Officers and enlisted men attended in droves. The Service Club was the scene of more wild action than ever before—probably even more than the night Bill Fogelson fell through the bass drum at a radio rehearsal.

Pvt. John W. Ramsay, A-6, on a classification questionnaire, said he liked to work around automobiles. Pvt. Stanley Wagner, D-1, when he saw it remarked, "Everybody to his own taste. I'll take blondes."

Cpl Armin Schroeder had visions of spending his night on duty in Message Center in complete darkness, when the Officer of the Day came in about midnight and was about to turn off the light. The corporal explained that the center

### GENIUS AT WORK

Sgt. Scott Watson, CRTC ace pianist, figured in a crisis. He was burning the midnight oil at the Special Service Office (practicing the Beethoven "Emperor" Concerto, which he is to play as soloist with the Kansas City Philharmonic in the near future) when a distraught trooper rushed in, terror in his eyes. "Fire! Water!", cried the trooper, "my taxi's on fire!"

Sgt. Watson grabbed a fire extinguisher from the wall. After a few well-directed sprays, the situation was under control, and the sergeant was again deep in the slow movement of the concerto—even before the master Beethoven had had time to turn over in his hallowed grave.

CAMP STEWART, Ga., laundry had a lot of revised paper work to do when it found out that Lieutenant Bates was really Pvt. Lieutenant Bates. The laundry had treated Bates' bundle as an officer's.

### LESSON

It was a holiday and Pvt. George Marquardt, Company A, 9th Battalion, took advantage of the "day off" from training schedules to sleep late. He slept so late he missed his breakfast. When he finally awakened, he sauntered to the mess hall



intending to get a cup of coffee to carry him 'till dinner time—instead he got a pail and a mop and some "unscheduled" KP duty.

Here's a mouthful for any mail clerk. Some more names: Merkai, Kirkall and Firkal; Bucskiewicz and Butkiewicz; Napoleon and Shute—and Private Dawn Buster—to whom revellie should mean nothing.

## Soldiers In Opera

### Hancock Enlisted Men To Take Part in Tabloid Carmen

FORT HANCOCK, N. J.—Enlisted men from Fort Hancock will appear in a tabloid version of Bizet's "Carmen", with Lily Djanel in the title role and Licia Albanese as Micaela, which will be presented as the principal feature of a dinner and entertainment to be sponsored by the Metropolitan Opera Guild, Tuesday night, Jan. 19, at the Waldorf-Astoria, to aid the United Forces Opera Fund.

The fund provides tickets to performances at the Metropolitan for officers and non-commissioned personnel of the United Nations' armed forces.

In the "Carmen" performance, the principal tenor role of Don Jose will be assumed by Cpl. John Harold of the 245th Coast Artillery, musical director of Fort Hancock, who planned the presentation. Pvt. Carl Denny, baritone, who was formerly a professional singer of popular songs, will be heard in the music of Escamillo, which he learned in spare moments at Fort Hancock.

A chorus composed of 35 members of the 810th Signal Corps, and the Fifty-second Coast Corps, and the Fifty-second Coast Artillery Band, conducted by Wilfred Pelletier, also will participate. A ballet corps from the Lola Bravo dancers, and Mrs. Florence Fair, narrator, will complete the personnel.

The production will be directed by Dr. Herbert Graf. Richard Rychtarik designed the settings. The opera project has been approved by Brig. Gen. Philip S. Gage, commanding general of Fort Hancock.

## Devens Digest

FORT DEVENS, Mass.—Col. Winfield O. Shrum, R. R. C. commander, was one of the soloists at a performance of Handel's "Messiah," which was given here in observance of the 200th anniversary of its composition. For Pvt. Wesley Boynton of Lowell, tenor soloist, it was his 27th performance. A chorus of 45 soldiers participated.

### BENNY

Making his first appearance at an Army post in the east, Jack Benny gave his regular Sunday night broadcast and an "after show" before thousands of delighted soldiers. The whole Benny cast was here, Jack's wife, Mary Livingston, a noted comedienne, Rochester (Eddie Anderson), the colored comedian, Dennis Day, Irish tenor, Schlepperman (Sam Hearn), Jewish dialect comedian, and Announcer Don Wilson. Benny appeared at the Children's party and at Lovell General Hospital.

Maj. Saverio N. Pennine, a physician and dentist who earned the title of "the great YANK of 'em all" when he extracted 1296 teeth in one month, has been transferred to Camp Myles Standish, Taunton. He was chief oral surgeon at New Station Hospital dental clinic here.

Memories of "Park Your Khaki," first musical show written, produced, staged and directed by soldiers here, linger on. Word has been received from Pvt. Louis A. Lusignan, known as Buddy Lewis on the stage, that he is using songs from the musical in shows which he is staging throughout the country in Army camps.

### Brig. Gen. Robinson's Retirement Announced

FORT RILEY, Kans.—Announcement has been made at CRTC Headquarters of the retirement on March 31, of Brig. Gen. Donald A. Robinson, commander of the Cavalry Replacement Training Center.

Since his enlistment in the army in 1898, when he saw service in the Spanish-American War, General Robinson has served in all parts of the United States, in Cuba, the Philippines, France, Germany, Belgium, Russian Armenia and China. He was graduated from the United States Military Academy at West Point in 1906.

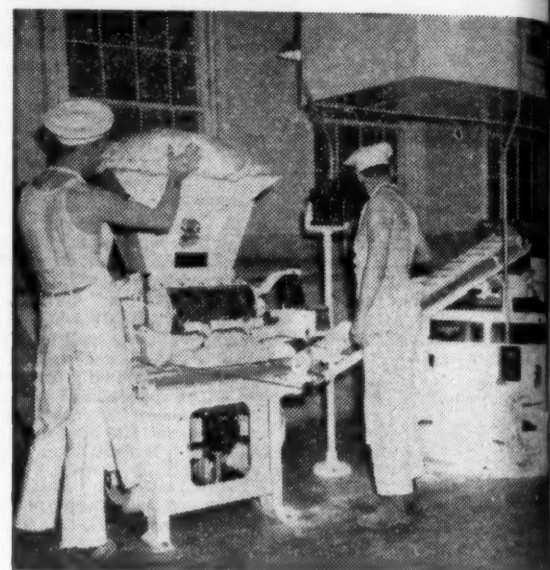
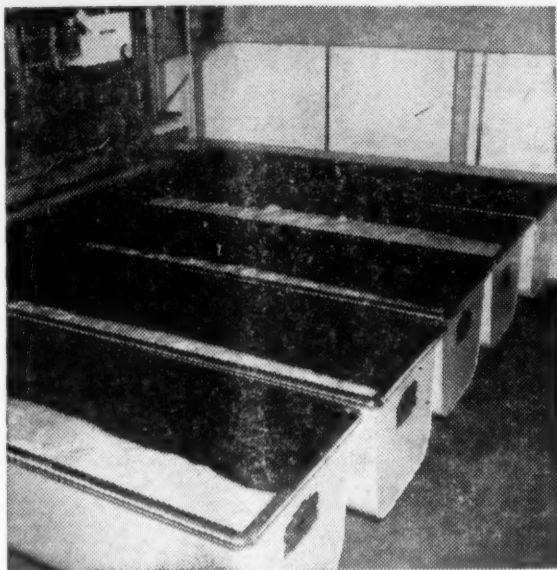
# This picture layout could be titled 'Night Life'

CAMP GRUBER, Okla.—Work goes on at a camp's bakery 24 hours every day (including weekends and holidays). This series of shots was snapped by a sleepy-eyed photographer shortly after midnight last week while the swing shift was in operation under Tech. Sgt. Ernest H. Taylor, chief baker. Beginning at left, that study in still life features a freshly-mixed batch of dough (including flour, malt, sugar, salt, powdered milk, yeast and water) while it languishes in a special moisture-filled room, air-conditioned to 80 degrees Fahrenheit.

After two hours in these bins the raw material is fed into a divider, there in Picture 2, where Pvt. Ray Gauntt, at left, is piling some dough into the hopper while his colleague, Cpl. Sylvester Ramminger, checks suspicious divisions on the ramp.

Following 10 minutes on a traveling proofer, located overhead, they drop down into a mold in Picture 3, where the individual cuts are formed into spheres. Watching this process are, from left to right, T/5th Donald H. Shepard, Pvt. Anthony P. Bauer and Pvt. Joe Cadena.

The trays are then shunted over to the automatic ovens, at No. 4 and loaded onto the moving shelves inside. There are 16 such shelves, and 18 minutes are allowed for each loaf to become thorough baked in the process. Pvt. Mathew DiCorpo is seen at left dumping a hot pan of loaves on the sorting table. T/5th Jesse Bradley, in the foreground, loads the finished bread up for storage until demanded. In the background, Pvt. Elbert J. Olinger is unloading raw dough for its turn in the electric oven. This clock-life affair above them does not tell time; it indicates the shelf coming up next at the oven door. Far right: Sergeant Taylor inspects a new loaf of bread, still warm from the oven, while Messrs. DiCorpo and Olinger look busy.



## Mechanical-Minded Yanks Can Repair Damaged Equipment

CAMP BUTNER, N. C.—Even our enemies must admit that the mechanical equipment used by the American Army is the world's finest. Yet, as tough and dependable as it is, it can be immobilized in combat. To get this equipment back into action, the Army has developed special units of highly skilled men.

One of these, the Second Battalion of the 126th Ordnance Motor Base Regiment under the command of Lt. Col. Francis B. Shearer, is now stationed here attached to post headquarters for administration and training purposes.

### Manufacture Equipment

The men of the 126th Ordnance are trained to set up and man a completely equipped mass production assembly line for the re-manufacture of motor vehicle units. The motor base shop is a semi-permanent installation located in the Service of Supply area. Army vehicles of any kind—from 30-ton tanks to jeeps—can be rebuilt, in fact, re-manufactured and assembled from reconditioned parts, or new parts, at such a base.

More than a million and a half pounds of parts of all kinds are on hand and the assembly line output is 2,000 completely rebuilt engines, transmissions, transfer transmissions differential assemblies, and a like number of related units monthly.

It is the job of another Army unit, the Evacuation and Supply Battalion, to collect badly damaged vehicles and units from the combat zones, says Major Beardslee, who directs shop engineering. This bat-

alion returns them to the base shops for rebuilding. Only vehicles damaged to a point where major repairs and rebuilding beyond the capacity of Ordnance shops closer to the scene of action are sent to units like the 126th Ordnance.

### Save Parts

It would take a miracle, for example, to save an Army truck caught close to the burst of a high explosive projectile. That vehicle, brought back to the motor base shop in a mangled, twisted and burned condition, might appear far beyond salvage to anyone but a member of the unit. Yet, hundreds of parts can be saved and re-conditioned.

In combat there are no broad highways leading to the enemy. The Army automotive engineer has produced Army trucks which have a flotation less than the weight of a man's footstep. Low gear ratios, front-wheel drives, and winches enable our troops to reach their objective. Gears do strip, winch cables break and other mechanical breakdowns do occur. The broken parts, however, are not thrown away, but are sent back for re-manufacture because it takes plenty of spare parts to keep our mechanized Army in action.

It would seem that the men necessary for the efficient operation of an Army vehicle rebuilding assembly line would be recruited from the motor car or related industries. This is not the case. Rather than deplete our war production plants of skilled men, the Army has developed a training program of its

own that produces a highly specialized mechanic in a very short period of time.

"The average American, we find, has a natural mechanical attitude," explains Major Beardslee. "As a people we are all mechanics and engineers when we consider the vast amount of mechanical, electrical and motor vehicle equipment that we use habitually. We think nothing of preparing our meals on electrically heated and thermostatically controlled stoves. We operate our own elevators, we drive 100 horsepower automobiles; we change our own tires."

"In rural districts our farmers think nothing of tearing down the motors of their farm equipment for repair and rebuilding."

### Skills Vary

In looking over the civilian occupation of men of the 126th Ordnance, this statement is clearly upheld. Among the skilled Army motor rebuild men are former embalmers, lawyers, butchers, doctors, politicians, barbers, shoemakers, truck drivers, civil and mechanical engineers and bricklayers.

Further proof that the Army training program can put out skilled men is demonstrated by a recent trial given the 126th. After an extensive three months course, the men manned the Atlanta motor base production lines, replacing the skilled civilian employees. The work turned out was equal in quantity and quality to that produced by the civilians in every respect.

Here at Camp Butner the men are getting into fighting trim. They've had their technical training and now they are learning the art of combat. At present they are undergoing as rigorous an infantry training program as that given to combat troops. Classes are also being conducted by experienced officers on the following subjects: Shop practices, safety in shop, theory of gasoline engines, theory of carburetors and other subjects.

## Gives Up \$4000 a Year Job to Get Into Army

CAMP EDWARDS, Mass. — Pvt. Edward A. Crane, attached to the 1114th SCU Casual Co., not only asked to be re-classified from 4-F to 1-A so he could enter the Army, but also gave up his \$4,000-a-year salary as a Cambridge, Mass., city councilor and as a lucrative law practice.

While the 27-year-old private is living on his \$50 a month his city council salary is going into a Cambridge bank under an account listed as, "Edward A. Crane or the City of Cambridge or the survivor." Private Crane plans, after the war, to turn the accrued salary, which will amount to about \$4500, over to some worthy charity.

Private Crane is a graduate of Harvard College and Harvard Law School. Anxious to do his bit despite a minor arm injury which placed him in 4-F, Private Crane

had himself reclassified and placed in 1-A. He has just completed his basic training and is ready for any assignment.

Commenting on conditions in Cambridge, Private Crane, who still holds his office of city councilor, said "Things are very much under control back in the city and I think servicemen when they return will find the city in much better shape, both financially and physically."

## Last Shall Be First

CAMP EDWARDS, Mass. — The youngest of three Army brothers, Capt. Lenert C. Gosch, commanding officer of Company K, 141st Infantry here, ranks the highest. The eldest brother is a private while the second is a first lieutenant.

## Chanute-Trained Hero Tells Of 39 Encounters With Japs

CHANUTE FIELD, Ill. — To the Silver Star for valor and the Purple Heart for wounds, S/Sgt. Donald T. Ostlund this week was adding the admiring congratulations of old friends at Chanute Field school of the Army Air Forces Technical Training Command. Returning here from 10 months of arduous flying service as radio man and gunner in the South Pacific area, Ostlund recounted experiences in 39 combat raids against the Japs and more than 100 other flying missions in the war area.

Trained at Chanute Field in 1940, he joined a famous bombardment group and flew with it, usually as gunner, through the Java campaign and later in raids covering the whole area from Queensland to New Guinea, the Solomons, New Britain and Timor.

In August his group attacked a Jap convoy bringing reinforcements to Buna, and was in turn attacked by nine Jap Zeros. Twice Ostlund's plane caught fire, the oil lines shot open, the hydraulic system mangled by Jap fire. Two engines conked out. A shrapnel fragment came through the ball turret, striking Ostlund on the side of the head. Two of the ship's other gunners were wounded also. But the pilot brought the ship limping home and landed it.

Sergeant Ostlund was flown to a hospital in Australia, where he stayed only four days before returning to his squadron at the front, bandages still about his head. Last November he was ordered home for a Christmas furlough, which he spent with his family at Dewey, Ill., making the acquaintance of his baby son, Teddy, whom he had never seen.

## Grant Rookie Directed Radio Soap Opera, Vic and Sade

CAMP GRANT, Ill.—When Edward S. King left NBC in Chicago for Camp Grant on Jan. 2, radio lost one of its topflight young directors to the Army for the duration.

King, 25 and Yale educated, has for the past 16 months directed one of radio's leading soap operas, Vic and Sade, a 15-minute sketch of homey chatter. Produced by the National Broadcasting Company, the sketch is aired five days each week on both NBC and the Columbia network.

It's no easy job to direct a program which requires the characters to be casual and provide relaxation from that tired feeling for the busy housewife. But King liked the assignment, especially the fine cooperation of the cast whom he considered "the most glorious people I ever worked with."

Unlike the average soap opera, Vic and Sade is not a continued story. Written by Paul Rhimer, who created the characters some 11 years ago, each sketch is based on a single episode in the lives of the family.

Scripts are written a week in advance, in order to provide sufficient time for the director to work out the necessary sound effects and otherwise plan the performance. Rehearsals begin the day before, with the performers going through their lines as though they were actually on the air. A final rehearsal is staged one hour before the show goes on, in which every word and sound, including the commercial announcement is brought within a split second into the 15 minutes allotted for the program.

King is an accomplished actor as well as a director. During his undergraduate days at Yale he played many juvenile leads in college productions and filled in his spare time working as an announcer and newscaster for a radio station. He was studying for a doctor's degree when NBC offered him a contract, and he forsook the degree for a career in radio.

He spent two months at Radio City, New York, before going to Chicago and directed among others a play featuring the famous Negro actor Canada Lee, and Lena Horn, a sepiu singer whose climb to fame was the subject of a feature story in Life magazine recently.

King's last connection with Vic and Sade was on New Year's Day, when he directed the program as usual.

## Riley Troopers Learn Map at Service Club

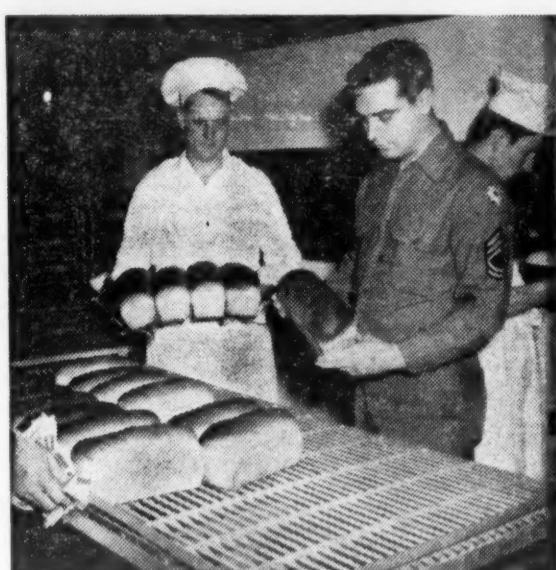
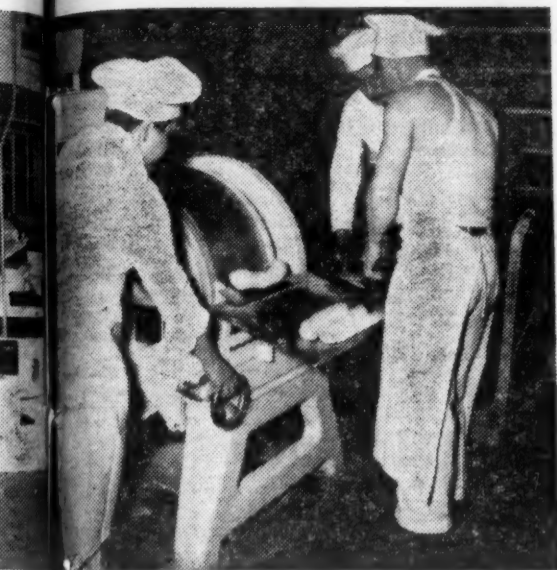
FORT RILEY, Kan.—Cavalry Replacement Training Center on the Fort Riley military reservation has performed a public service for the benefit of the snack-seeking "arm-chair generals" who frequent the Service Club. It's a giant map of the world, painted on one wall of the club by Pfc. Yukio Tashiro of CRTC headquarters, so they can see just where the action is taking place on the war fronts.

The map was the idea of Brig. Gen. Donald A. Robinson, commanding officer.



EAGLES of a colonel were pinned on the shoulders of Lt. Col. William S. Triplett this week by his wife. He served as an enlisted man in 1917-19 and was appointed to West Point in 1924. Now he is trains commander of the 13th Armored Division at Camp Beale, Calif. Congratulating him here, while his wife stands by, is Maj. Gen. John B. Wogan, division commander.

# 'Bakery' but we haven't the crust to do it



## Cadet Has 2000 Flying Hours to His Credit

GOODFELLOW FIELD, Tex.—He's been flying for half of his life and more than 2,100 hours are recorded in his log book, yet Robert H. Wyche, 22, is going through the standard routine as an aviation cadet at Goodfellow Field.

The reason: Wyche, who once was a flying instructor, preferred to get full advantage of the Army Air Forces courses and thus be eligible for combat.

Despite his extensive aerial experience, the Texan found that the AAF is teaching its aviation cadets "a lot of things I didn't know."

Particularly valuable, Wyche said, is the solid foundation he's getting in ground school and in the Link Trainers. At this AAF basic flying school the aviation cadets put in 15 hours in the Links, five hours in radio communication, 10 hours in navigation, 38 hours in meteorology, 35 hours in code and six hours in aircraft identification.

Wyche was able to take off and land at the age of 11 years, when he piloted a cross-bred, patched-up old biplane, powered with a grumbling OX-5 motor.

At 19, he held a commercial license and earned his living as instructor and charter pilot.

## Battalion Buys 1½ Million In Service Insurance

CAMP DAVIS, N. C.—The purchase of approximately \$1,400,000 in Servicemen's Insurance by soldiers of the 430th Separate Battalion (AA) in less than 30 days—a record believed unparalleled throughout the Army—was revealed this week.

The accomplishment proved another feather in the collective cap of the battalion known around camp as the "All Americans." Time and again the 430th has demonstrated its competitive spirit and the record insurance campaign ballasted the reputation of the outfit.

In announcing the success of the insurance program in the 430th, Major Julius F. Mercandino, commanding the battalion, expressed considerable pride in the response of his men.

Unofficial study of various records indicates that the 430th surpasses any organization of similar strength throughout the service taking advantage of the government's insurance plan.

## Milwaukee Singer At Camp Grant

CAMP GRANT, Ill. — Should you happen to stroll past Area D, Recruit Reception Center, some evening and hear an operatic aria emanating from one of the barracks in a rich baritone voice it's better than an even chance that the voice belongs to Pvt. Earl Emil Thiel, 29.

Although earning his livelihood as a draftsman and engineer before entering service, Thiel is better known in his home city, Milwaukee, Wis., for his accomplishments in the field of music. In 1941 he won a first prize in the Chicago Music Festival with the rendition of operatic and classical songs, and last season won the acclaim of Milwaukee music lovers as a guest soloist with the Cincinnati Symphony orchestra.

## Crowder Crow Mascot Has the Pilfering Habit

CAMP CROWDER, Mo. — Jim, a black crow, is becoming well-known at this Replacement Training Center of the Signal Corps as the mascot of Company D of the 32nd Signal Training Battalion. His adoption by the men of D dates back to that time six months ago when he hadn't yet learned too much about flying and had fallen from a tree.

Jim has flourished ever since on GI chow and in his wanderings about the company area is often surrounded by dozens of admirers. The bird's

worst vice is his pilfering of any object left lying about that glitters. If it shines and can be moved, sooner or later Jim is going to haul it away. Where the stuff goes nobody has ever learned. Jim has made off with loose silver left lying in the barracks, an extra bar of a second lieutenant's and shiny dummy ammunition from a simulated rifle range.

The crow has been AWOL several times lately since a flock of strange crows have been flying into the woods back of Company D.

## Magician Admits He Can't Make Potatoes Peel Selves

CAMP STONEMAN, Calif.—"I'm supposed to be a magician, but there's one trick I can't do, and that's make potatoes peel themselves," mumbles one of the country's foremost magicians, Pvt. John E. Shaffer, a Camp Stoneman soldier.

Shaffer, or as he is billed, "El Dorado, the Magician," is the youngest and only two-time winner of the Academy Award of the International Magicians' Association.

Though "El Dorado" is known throughout the country, his fame lies in the middle-west.

John is the only child of the famed "Flying El Dorados," veteran circus and vaudeville team, which John joined at the age of eight. His mother and father have since retired from the stage but, John, before entering the Army, was trying his best to uphold the family name in the theatre.

## I, Too, Was Expendable

By Pvt. Ben Zinzser

I, too, was expendable. To quote from Bill White's book, "They Were Expendable," . . . "in a war, anything can be expendable—money or gasoline or equipment or most usually men. They are expending you and that machine gun (or mop as was my case) to get time. . . ."

It's like this: I was seated at the sports desk of the Enid Plane Facts admiring the luster on my GI shoes crossed neatly on the desk top when I was notified I was to make a one-week's tour of KP.

"There must be some mistake," I telephoned the orderly room. I was disgruntled when the sergeant answered, "There certainly is. You should have been on KP a month ago."

Fatigued in my fatigues, I arrived at the 500-man mess at 4:30 o'clock the following morning. I was disappointed when they told me breakfast wasn't ready.

### Comes To

At noon I woke up and found I had been working all morning. Upon seating myself to enjoy a cup of coffee, the pusher informed me that honorable KPs were supposed to keep moving and appear to be working, by order of the commanding officer or somebody like that.

Came noonday chow and I couldn't keep busy, and there was the pusher giving me the glassy stare. So I went from first sergeant to first sergeant, buttered their bread, lighted their cigarettes, and be-

tween bites, polished the brass on their blouses.

At 4 o'clock that afternoon the "poosh" told me to lift my tongue off the linoleum or I would have to mop the floor again.

After evening chow we GI'd the entire 500-man mess which covers about three acres, they tell me. By this time most of the KP's were delirious. Some sang, some chanted, while others sounded like tobacco auctioneers. We GI'd furiously. From time to time a KP feverishly screamed, "Let's get out of here." We answered either "Amen," or "Praise the Lord and Pass the Ammunition."

### Uses Psychology

I remember one night we were GI'ing faster than a flight officer's salute when I slipped and sprawled on the floor. The fellow behind me GI'd all the skin off my back before I could get on my feet, which felt as if they had chocks in front of them.

One night a pusher who reads Freud and also the uninteresting psychologists decided to use a little psychology on the KP's. He plugged in a radio and we GI'd to the music of Charlie Spivak's orchestra. And

I might add the psychology worked. Twirl my turban! Man alive! You certainly can GI to "Mr. Five by Five."

I also remember during one evening chow I had run out of gas and the only think keeping me up was the thermal emanating from the China Clipper. Believe me, I was sore when a soldier demanded, "Where's the butter, where's the coffee, where's the cream, where's the sugar, and where's the floor show?"

"Goodbuddy," I answered, "If you'll stick around until 5:30 you can see a great floor show, 'The GI Follies of 1943,' starring 15 wretched KP's—count 'em—15."

### Slight Error

Another time I was examining the contents of a large kettle when an officer strolled into the mess hall. As he approached, I changed my pitch and roared to attention. He said "as you were," and I lay back down on a bench.

"Bring me a spoon," he ordered.

"Yes, sir," I answered dutifully. The officer took the spoon, sampled the contents of the kettle. The appearance of his face was terrible, men, terrible. I thought he was experiencing a 9-G.

"You call this soup?" he shouted at me.

"No, sir," I whispered, "it's dishwater. But, sir, you demanded the spoon." I was talking faster now. "I did what you said. . . . Oh, sir, what are you going to do? . . . Help!"

And that's how I caught another week's KP.

## Ancient Flatirons Press GI Pants

CAMP EDWARDS, Mass.—One hundred flatirons of an ancient model lately have been serving to keep the GI pants of the 36th Division to a razor-edged-sharpness, and the men report that they work fine.

It all began when officers of the 36th, who, it seems, always have prided themselves on their spiffy appearance, started complaining that modern pressing equipment in their part of the camp was inadequate.

Lt. Col. Carl L. Phinney, 36th Divi-

sion Quartermaster Officer, decided to look around for some good electric irons and soon found there were none to be had. Col. Phinney saw no reason, however, why a shortage of electric parts should keep the Texans from looking their usual best.

Hearing that the Brockton, Mass., salvage committee had done an excellent job of collecting old metal, he got in touch with Mayor Joseph H. Downey of that city and asked

for 100 irons. They could be of any antiquity, the colonel said, as long as they'd put a press in OD trousers.

Mayor Downey lost no time in conferring with the Brockton Salvage Committee, and soon 100 old-fashioned flatirons were delivered to Capt. A. S. Browne of the Camp Edwards Quartermaster Corps. The ages of the irons range from 25 to 40 years. But the 36th men are strutting happily again and looking sharp.



USING GARAND M-1 RIFLES recently issued in the Engineer Replacement Training Center at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., this platoon of Company A, 30th Battalion, established a new record for rifle marksmanship in the ERTC by qualifying 97.4 per cent of its personnel. The entire battalion set a new record by qualifying 88.3 per cent of its men and was commended by Col. Frank S. Besson, ERTC commander.

# Lucky Stiff Tells How It Feels To Chew Fat with Tierney

By PVT. JOHN AUGUSTIN

FORT RILEY, Kan. — It's rather embarrassing to start out for an interview and discover five hours later you have forgotten completely to ask your subject any of the standard questions. But then, there's nothing more unusual about that than there is about walking down Junction city's main street with Gene Tierney and feeling perfectly natural about the whole thing.



OTHERS in picture are Pvt. Forrest Tucker and Lt. H. L. Merin.

## 'Man With Thousand Home Towns at Camp Crowder

CAMP CROWDER, Mo.—Pvt. Alex Feingold of Company C, 38th Signal Training Battalion is known as "The Man With a Thousand Home Towns."

Here is the story behind the phrase:

For awhile before this soldier entered the Army he traveled with a circus. In one of the most ballyhooed acts there was a wrestler with muscles that bulged like the humps on a camel. Wherever the circus played the wrestler always attempted to cajole one of the local townsmen to enter the ring with him.

One look at the brawny man in the ring was usually enough. But at the last minute a shout would

always ring out from high up in the stands were a "home town" fellow had decided to take a chance. The voice was always Feingold's whether the show was in Butte, Mont., or Vicksburg, Miss. A running fire of name-calling between Feingold and the wrestler just before the match always worked the crowd into a frenzy. And the soldier was unfailingly good as a "local boy." He affects the soft drawl of the Texan, the nasal twang of the man from Vermont or the flat tone of the Carolina coastal plains with equal ease.

He changed his name so many times he had difficulty on occasions trying to remember his real name. Incidentally, he's from Brooklyn.

I have found out since, Gene hails from Westport, Conn., and was educated at Miss Porter's school at Farmington, Conn., and in Switzerland. She got her first part on Broadway merely by asking for it.

Her big break came with her appearance in the stage version of the "Male Animal" in which she played the ingenue lead. Hollywood noticed her and signed her to a contract on the strength of a test using a scene from Thornton Wilder's "Our Town," then immediately proceeded to cast her a dozen times as a toothsome, sarong-clad wench. She was honored, during the beginning of her movie career, by having the boys from Harvard pick her as the "Worst discovery of the year."

Gene is the wife of Pvt. Oleg Cassini of Troop C, 1st Squadron, Cavalry Replacement Training Center (Oleg carried the title of count before the Army stripped him of it.) She hopes to stay here with him until her work calls her back to California.

Surprising to find she is not slant eyed . . . not addicted to wearing black satin . . . French heels . . . heavy perfume . . . no Russian cigarettes . . . no languorous movements . . . no accent.

Refreshing . . . to have what promised to be just another celebrity turn out so very human and friendly . . . to discover that colds allergies, candy rationing, faulty suitcases, lost luggage, hamburgers, books, wars and fun occupy about the same categorical position in her life as in others more prosaic.

The summing up . . . hard to remember a more pleasant afternoon, or a more natural one. Nothing occurred that might not have happened, under similar circumstances, with Mary Smith or Ellen Jones. (Shucks! —Ed.) She was about 15 minutes late for the appointment; she had trouble finding her key her pass (from the provost marshal) and her compact. She asked the usual feminine questions, not too sensible, about the Army. And still, in spite of the commonplace, there was the undeniable realization that Mary Smith or Ellen Jones just couldn't be like that.

In short, from repairing her make-up at odd times, to fussing about the arrangement of her hair, she's the typical American girl . . . except for the plus, the sparkle, that makes her Gene Tierney. And, incidentally, as Tierney, her charm is so complete and natural one wonders why Hollywood doesn't try casting her in a straight role for a change and leave the sarongs to Lamour. (Who's Lamour?—Ed)

## Former Big-Time Batoneer Now Army Photog

CAMP LIVINGSTON, La. — For seven years Sterling Young worked to make his orchestra one of the nation's top dance bands.

Came Dec. 7, 1941. As did millions of other Americans he watched his world slowly fall apart.

Came the day when only two of his original crew answered the rap of his baton. The other musicians had been replaced again and again. They were third and fourth choices.

His band was gone. So he went, too.

Today he is Sgt. Sterling A. Young, attached to the First Signal Laboratory at Livingston as a photographer.

Sergeant Young didn't just run off and enlist. He prepared himself first. He utilized his hobby—photography—to give himself a running start in the new life he was to enter.

He enlisted in the reserves and took an intensive 10 weeks' course in photography at Universal Studios in his home town, Hollywood.

On active duty since Nov. 15, Sergeant Young has acquired a healthy tan and, in five weeks, has gained nine and a half pounds—something he'd been trying to do for years during his career as a band leader.

The big difference between Army life and orchestra life?

"I get up at the time I used to go to bed," says Young.

## Painting of Aid Station Given Carlisle Barracks

CARLISLE BARRACKS, Pa.—An oil painting, portraying a part of the work in which Medical Department officers are trained here, now hangs in Hoff Hall at the Medical Field Service School at this post. The painting of a United States Army battalion aid station is the work of Artist Robert L. Benney and was received by the school as a gift of S. Dewitt Clough, president of Abbott Laboratories, Chicago.

Mr. Benney came to Carlisle Barracks Oct. 23, 1942, and spent a week painting the scene of a casualty receiving station from live models

and battalion aid station actually set up by the 32nd Medical Battalion. Mr. Benney was commissioned by Associated American Artists Gallery of New York City, to do the painting for Abbott Laboratories, the work to be used in sulfanamide broadsides.

Although Mr. Clough is a collector of oil paintings he gave the painting because he thought the Medical Field Service School the proper place for it to hang.

The two soldiers who were models for the painting are Pfc. Leo M. Kukis, and Cleason E. Blair, both on duty with Company A of the 32nd Medical Battalion.

## Two Stewart Units Sign Up 100 Per Cent for War Bonds

CAMP STEWART, Ga.—An entire anti-aircraft battalion and one of the post bands are the latest Camp Stewart units to subscribe 100 per cent to the war bond campaign.

The 536th Antiaircraft Battalion, commanded by Lt. Col. John H. Brubaker, reported that 100 per cent of its personnel has taken a total of approximately \$30,000 maturity value in war bond subscriptions, in the form of monthly allotments from the pay of the enlisted men and officers.

Band Number One of the Antiaircraft Artillery Training Center, totaling 35 men, also has taken 100 per cent, making more than \$1,000 in maturity value of bonds subscribed. Lt. John W. O'Neil is War Bond Officer for the bands.

Lt. Owen H. Klepper is the 536th War Bond officer who headed its subscription drive which resulted in the 100 per cent total.

An Intensified War Bond drive among both military and civilian personnel of the post has been in progress for several months.

## Greetings!

CAMP EDWARDS, Mass.—Found at Camp Edwards Thursday was a soldier who was disappointed because he received a package in the mail.

He is Sgt. Ambrose J. Boyd, a member of the 2nd Replacement Depot. The package was from a stationer in Kingston, N. Y., and was postmarked December 15, 1942.

Reason for Sgt. Boyd's disappointment: the package contained Christmas cards which he had intended to send this year.

NEARLY 2,000,000 soldiers, from privates to generals, now are buying about 13 million dollars in War Bonds every pay day, the War Department reports.

JAPANESE name their calendar years after animals. They called 1941 the Year of the Snake.

## Set Up Advanced School For Kohler SC Trainees

CAMP KOHLER, Calif.—The University of California's School of Agriculture at Davis, is expected to be formally established as a U.S. Army Signal Corps school February 1, Brig. Gen. S. H. Sherrill, commanding the Signal Corps RTC here, said this week.

To be used for specialist courses, chiefly those connected with radio, the Davis campus will be partially occupied by the Signal Corps in January. The school's facilities will be shared with California Aggie students until the end of the current semester. After February 1, all civilians, except a few engaged in important research, will leave the campus.

The Davis school will probably be combined with the Replacement Training Center here under the command of General Sherrill.

Present plans call for Signal Corps men to live in dormitories, fraternity houses, and possibly a downtown hotel. Many selected trainees from Camp Kohler will receive their specialist training at Davis.

## 81st Division Had 'Cats For Mascots Last Time

CAMP RUCKER, Ala.—The Wildcat (81st) Division is proud of its mascots, real wildcats from the swamps of Georgia; but it recently was revealed that the original Wildcats of World War I had their caged 'cats too.

One present Wildcat was home on furlough in Iowa when he met Dr. John Williams of Sutherland, Ia., a former member of the 318th Field Artillery of the 81st which took part in the first World War.

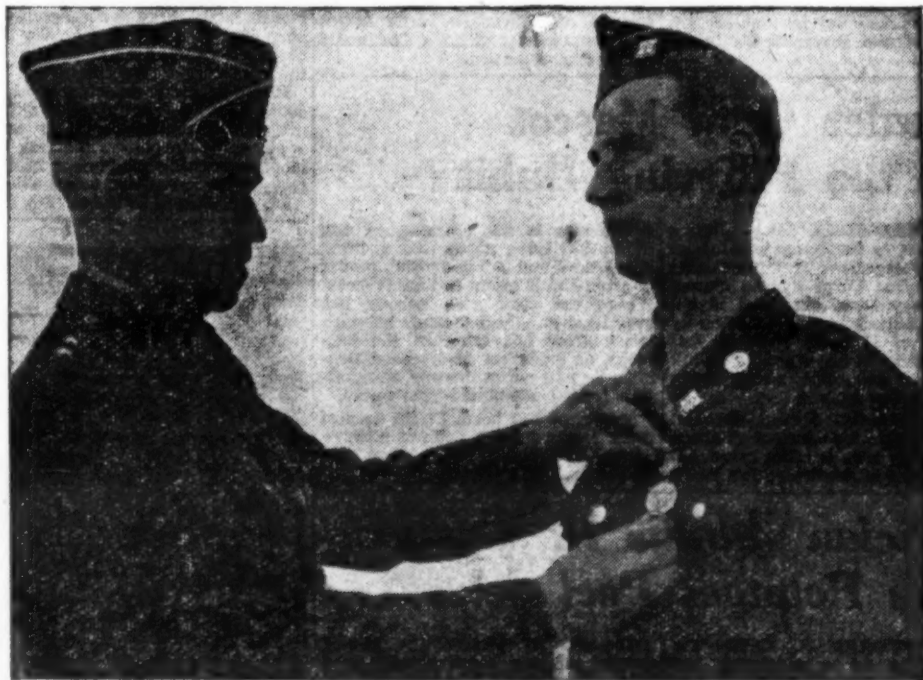
Dr. Williams recalled that a wildcat was taken on shipboard to France. A typewriter box, with holes bored

in it for ventilation, was used as a cage.

The 'cat arrived safely on French soil, Dr. Williams remembers, and two soldiers used to give the animal daily airings. They took it on walks—one soldier holding the end of a chain attached to the mascot's collar and the other carrying a forked stick to keep their pet under control—much to the discomfiture of the natives.

Finally, however, the animal disappeared and suspicion lay heavily on members of a certain mortar unit. But nothing was ever proved.

## First Award



FIRST SOLDIER in the 28th Division of World War II to be awarded a medal for heroism is Pfc. John P. Linehan, 23-year-old selectee, here being decorated by Maj. Gen. Omar N. Bradley, division commander. Linehan was awarded the Soldier's Medal when he leaped from an assault boat, fully clothed in field uniform, to rescue a fellow soldier from drowning, during an infantry river crossing in the Little River in Louisiana, last summer.

—Photo by Hanson.

# RANDY ALLEN

By Sgt. A. J. Abruzzo  
Armored Force, Fort Knox, Ky.



## The Army Quiz

Don't bat your brains out on this one. If you don't know an answer, peek on Page 16. Nobody will know the difference.

1. Our personal spies just brought us a captured Japanese map. Contour lines on Japanese maps are marked in meters. One hill on this Jap map is 386 meters high. Roughly, how many feet is that?

122      389      700      3660

2. According to Secretary of War Stimson — per cent of the men in the Army "confine themselves to soft drinks entirely"?

10      20      30      40

3. The average American soldier today weighs eight pounds (more, less) than the soldier of 1918.

4. A soldier in civilian clothes should salute officers.

True      False

5. The Air Forces are 20 times larger today than in July, 1940. How many times larger is the Regular Army?

2      5      10      20

6. Although Medical Corps lieutenants receive the same pay and wear the same bars, they differ from lieutenants in all other branches of the Army in that:

A. They need not be saluted by enlisted men.  
B. They are addressed as Doctor Soandso, not Lieutenant Soandso.  
C. They are recruited for the service by the American Red Cross.

7. When troops pass in review before the President of the United States, the national flag is dipped in salute to the Commander-in-Chief.

True      False

8. The British Army which surrendered to General Washington at Yorktown numbered — men.

9000      16,000      26,000      56,000      106,000

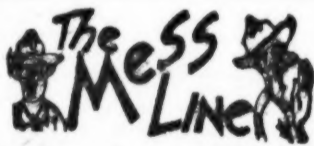
9. Responsibility for the enforcement of sanitation precautions at an Army post belong to:

A. The unit commander (i.e., the Army, corps, division, regimental, battalion or battery commander).  
B. The chief Medical officer.  
C. The post Special Services officer.

10. Japanese soldiers in the field have no trouble finding the kitchen trucks on the darkest night. That is because:

A. The kitchen trucks have powerful searchlights.  
B. They do all their eating in the daytime.  
C. The Japanese army has no field kitchens.

(Answers on Page 16)



### THOUGHT

The two recruits en route to Australia stood by the ship's rail gazing out over the blue Pacific. "Just think," said one. "This here Pacific Ocean is more'n twice as big as the Atlantic." The second one shaded his eyes and scanned the empty waters diligently. After a moment, he spoke. "It sure is," he said.

A Corporal, says the dictionary,

is a non-commissioned officer of the lowest grade.

### A LETTER

Dear Genevieve: Thanks for the carton of cigarettes. I feel sorta funny, though, about accepting them because I know you earn so little at the bakery. I worry about you a lot. I have been especially worried since I received the cigarettes. Don't you remember I smoke cigars?

THERE'S NO TRUTH IN THE

RUMOR THAT THE PX IS SELLING NEON CHEVRONS FOR PFC'S.

### OLD SONGS REWRITTEN

A soldier boy without a heart has three stripes on him from the start.

The rookie who thought Camp Cooke was the mess sergeant has a brother who thinks Sheppard Field is the orchestra leader's full name.

### COMPLAINT

Private Hendroop was writing a letter to his mother. "The food in this camp is absolute poison," he complained. Then he added: "And such small portions!"

### CAUTION

Sign in Squadron Latrine: "The rumors emanating from this latrine do not necessarily express the opinions of the latrine orderlies."



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**THE LIEBERMAN** family is the only Jewish family in Manistique, Mich., but a very small proportion of it is living there now. All seven sons of Mr. and Mrs. Max Lieberman are in the Army. Above, with their parents and sister Rose, are: Air Cadet Morris, Pvt. Herman, Cpl. Sam, Capt. Louis, Lt. Ben, Lt. James and Pfc. Peter.

## Refugee Wants Crack Back at Nazis Who Chased Him Through Europe

**CAMP FUNSTON, Kans.**—Having escaped from Germany and then been tracked through Europe and North Africa by the Gestapo, Pvt. Max Gumbel, 32, Headquarters Company, 9th Armored Division, feels that he is on his way, but this time the way he wants to go—with the American Army.

Private Gumbel knows what he is fighting for after having been in a German concentration camp in 1933 and then escaping from Germany to Switzerland and then France. He was picked up by the Gestapo in the first flurry of arrests when Hitler

came to power and upon his release some time later decided to flee Germany as the Gestapo seemed to have him earmarked because of his being a Jew and also because of his extensive friendships in England and France.

Unable to get a work permit in France and being destitute in the bitter cold of the winter of 1934, he decided to go to Spanish Morocco, where he found employment.

In 1937 during the Spanish civil war and upon the representations of the German consular agent who thought he knew too much regarding German participation in the

civil war, Gumbel was thrown into a Spanish concentration camp.

He was transferred to a prison at Tetuan, capital of Spanish Morocco, where the high commissioner refused to extradite him to the Germans upon their request. He was re-transferred to the concentration camp, where after a year of imprisonment he was turned over to the Germans—destination, Hamburg. His vessel stopped at Algiers where he engineered his escape and found that he had to hide from the French police who thought he was a German spy.

He remained in French North Africa for some months until he managed to collect all of his papers which permitted him to embark for the United States. Landing at New Orleans, he met his family there and immediately took out his first citizenship papers.

He twice volunteered for enlistment in the Navy, but was rejected because he wasn't a citizen. He was inducted by the Army last month.

Gumbel had attended the Weisbaden Municipal College in Germany before the Nazis took over. He speaks French, Spanish and English fluently as well as his native German and manages to get along in Italian and Portuguese.

### To Beat the Axis Family Joins All Services

**FORT SILL, Okla.**—Seven members of the Garic family of New Orleans are out to help beat the Axis in as many different ways, headed by the oldest, Cpl. Louis D. Garic, who is on duty at the Field Artillery Replacement Training Center of Fort Sill.

Corporal Garic is in the 27th Battalion of the Fort Sill Replacement Center and has applied for admission to an Officer Candidate School. Sgt. Ory L. Garic is overseas with the Marines, Cpl. Harold N. Garic serves with the Army Air Forces in Utah and Burns F. Garic enlisted in the Navy as a chief petty officer, first class.

Completing the family effort against the enemy, Cpl. Roland R. Garic is an infantryman at a Florida camp, one daughter is a Navy Department stenographer and the other daughter's husband works in a war plant.

**PRIVATES** received \$4 a month in 1789.

## Grant Cagers Ranked In Nation's Top 10

Sgt. Harold Solomon

**CAMP GRANT, Ill.**—Camp Grant's All-America-packed basketball team is rated the country's leading Army cage squad according to the latest release from the Dunkel Sports Rating System. Given a 68.7 rating, the Warriors are ranked ahead of the Olathe Flyers, Aberdeen Proving Ground and Camp Lee, the other Army aggregations also named among the first 10 service teams.

Studded with some of the greatest hoopsters ever to play in the mid-west, Camp Grant's squad boasts of five All-America's and one National Professional League selection. Also included on the squad roster are 13 former college stars, many of whom played professionally after their school days were over.

Leading scorer on Lt. Robert Harris' collection of aces is Stan Szukala, former All-American from De Paul who also played with the Chicago Bruins. Captain of the Warriors, Szukala has scored 130 points in 14 games.

Next ranking point makers for the soldiers are Don Blanken (All-American Purdue and former professional); Mickey Rottner (Loyola All-Ameri-

can); George Hogan Loyola (All-American and National Professional League all-star); and Ray Adams (Oshkosh All Stars and Chicago Bruins).

Other outstanding collegiate cage stars who are wearing the maroon and white colors of Camp Grant are Joe Frivaldsky (Baylor), Harley Gred (Wisconsin), Ernest Herbrechtsmeier (Iowa State Teachers), George Hesli (Marquette), Clarence Skrodzki (De Paul) Paul McCall (Bradley Tech) and Al Cafone (Marquette).

To date the Warriors have won 11 out of 14 games, and their current win streak has reached 11 straight games. Among the victims of the Grant cage blitz are Illinois, champions of the Big Ten Conference, Oklahoma, co-title holders of the Big Six Illinois Wesleyan, Loyola of Chicago, University of Chicago, Augustana College, Navy Pier, Selfridge Field, Fort Sheridan and Glenview Naval Aviation Base.

Only other service team in the mid-west to be ranked among the first 10 is the Great Lakes Sailors, and they are given a 64.8 rating and are placed two notches below Camp Grant in the national standings.

## Soldier Fails to Win Grunt-Groan Crown

**CAMP CROWDER, Mo.**—Billy Raburn, of Tulsa, Okla., successfully defended his world light-heavyweight wrestling championship against Sgt. Eddie Williams, of Camp Crowder, at the post fieldhouse here this week.

Thousands of soldiers jammed the arena to see the match, believed to be the first world title bout ever staged on an Army post.

Williams, who is assigned to the Quartermaster Corps Detachment here, and Raburn engaged in a brisk duel that was filled with exciting moments. Both boys lived up to their reputations as two of the cleverest matmen in the game, showing amazing speed and agility in sticking to clean, straight wrestling from start to finish.

Sergeant Scores First

The Camp Crowder sergeant threw quite a scare into Raburn, freeing himself from the champion's hammerlock and finally forcing him to the mat with a painful wristlock to win the first fall in 20 minutes. Raburn won the second fall in eight minutes, and then took the third in 12 minutes.

The last fall came as a sudden ending. Several times Raburn had broken Eddie's toehold, and the sergeant was rushing in to regain the

grip, when Raburn nimbly sidestepped and seized the soldier's arms. Before anyone in the crowd could catch breath, Raburn knotted the challenger in a crabhold that Eddie could not break. The sergeant's shoulders were pancaked on the mat, and the melee was over.

Hundreds of soldiers swarmed around the ringside to shake hands with Raburn and congratulate him at the conclusion. Billy won the respect of the entire crowd with his clean-cut performance. Although the title was at stake, there wasn't the slightest infraction of rules the whole time the men were in the ring.

Preliminaries

Before the bout began, A. O. Bedford, Raburn's manager, displayed the champion's belt to ringsiders. The belt, a handsome bronze and silver trophy, is engraved with the names of Danny McShain, Nicholas Red Berry and others who have held possession of it in former years.

In other matches on the card, Orville Brown, of Kansas City, three Jack Hader, and the famous Les Wyckoff, now working in a Kansas City arms plant, pinned Bad Boy Brown, a mat man who at one time was bodyguard for the late Gen. Huey Long, of Louisiana.

## Monthly Boxing Shows Scheduled at Kohler

**CAMP KOHLER, Calif.**—Under the sponsorship of the Sacramento 20-30 Club, boxers from Camp Kohler and Mather Field will join forces Thursday night, January 21, at the Memorial Auditorium in Sacramento in an attempt to defeat fighters from the Stockton advanced Flying School.

It will be the first of a series of monthly boxing shows to be staged for the benefit of the Mather Field and Camp Kohler athletic funds.

Lt. Robert J. Schmitt, Kohler athletic officer, and Lt. John Meek, in charge of Mather Field's sports program, announce 11 fast-action bouts are planned for the initial card.

Fighting under regulation rules, the men will go for four two-minute

rounds. Thus, it was pointed out, it is possible the fans may get as much as 44 rounds of boxing for their money. Admission prices, while not definitely decided upon yet, will be "quite reasonable," Lieutenants Schmitt and Meek promise.

## GI Radio Show Gives Prizes

**DALLAS, Tex.**—If you're tired of a white Christmas or you didn't get what you've been crying for, why not start singing a new song? New old favorites, just send in the song title to the War Bond Insurance Section, Headquarters Eighth Service Command, Santa Fe building, Dallas, Texas, along with a brief statement of why that particular song is your current favorite.

You stand ready to win \$2 in War Saving Stamps and a share in a \$1000 jackpot if your song is chosen for playing on the Eighth Service Command's own War Bond radio show, "What's Your Name, Soldier?"

The musical entertainment program is heard from 9:30 to 10 p.m. each Monday over the Texas Quality Network stations (WFAA, WBAP, WOAI, KPRC). The show, formerly on the air from WOAI, San Antonio, was temporarily suspended when Headquarters moved to Dallas. Popular demand by the soldiers led to its reinstatement.

**FIRST AERIAL** bomb used in warfare was dropped on May 25, 1913, at Guaymas, Mexico, by Didier Masson, free-lance French aviator employed by President Huerta to suppress a rebellion.

## Red Cross Helps Gootee Family Welcome Hero

**CAMP CAMPBELL, Ky.**—The Gootee family of Logosotee, Ind., is together this week for the first time in five years.

The American Red Cross heard that the hero of the family, T/Sgt. John M. Gootee, was about to come home after five years in the Pacific area. They immediately got to work, with the result that Pvt. Hubert Gootee, Corps of Military Police, 1580th Service Unit, left for an immediate five-day furlough. Another brother on maneuvers on the West Coast was expected to leave shortly. The fourth son is home, awaiting a call to active duty with the Navy.

In the years since the family has last been together, John has been in the Army serving two enlistments.

Just before he was to be granted an extended leave he shipped to the Philippine Islands with his bomber command.

The rest of the story was told by President Roosevelt in one of his fireside chats. John had been crew chief of a bomber on a special mission. Fighting through to their objective single-handed the men laid their bombs well on the target, to return to their base with two motors shot away and the landing gear gone.

John was wounded in that engagement. He spent several months in a hospital. The family was very anxious to see him. And the Red Cross, feeling that the homecoming of the hero should be complete, requested the furloughs.

## First Time on Range, Two Units Tie for New Record

**FORT KNOX, Ky.**—The men in Companies B and C of the 8th Battalion of the Armored Force Replacement Training Center did some straight and fancy shooting with the 30-calibre machine guns this week when they tied each other for the best shooting record in the history of the Center, a company average of 123 out of a possible 128.

This is some shooting for the first time out with the 30-calibre machine guns and naturally Maj. Jay M. Holmes, their battalion commander, thinks his is just about the best outfit that he has ever seen, especially since his outfit has two other perfect

records of no AWOL's or venereal cases since beginning of training.

Maj. Gen. Charles L. Scott, Center commander, thought this was fine shooting, too. He came down to the men's mess hall to congratulate them on their fine record. He gave them some advice gleaned from his months as an observer with the British Eighth Army before its last drive against Marshal Rommel.

And naturally, to have a company average 123 out of a possible 128 meant there had to be plenty of perfect scores of 128 out of a possible 128. There were 22 men in B-S with perfect scores: 28 in C-S.

## Tank Destroyers Have a 'Circus' when Training

**CAMP CLAIBORNE, La.**—A barren area on the northeast corner of Avenue "A" and South First Street at Camp Claiborne, was turned into a veritable three ring circus when the 828th Tank Destroyer battalion conducted rehearsal for the physical fitness test which is to be administered to the battalion by representatives of the Third Army. Admission to this circus was free, however, because those who attended were the spectators one minute and the participants the next.

Tests of speed and endurance became competitive events that challenged the prowess of officers as well as enlisted men. Soldiers who thought they had long outgrown creeping and crawling and the "pig-a-back," found themselves back on their hands and knees and bearing the weight of their comrades in an

effort to prove that they can take their place in the well-trained, hard-hitting, fighting team that each tank destroyer battalion must be.

Race Interesting

Perhaps the most interesting event of the afternoon was the 70-yard zigzag agility run which has been designed to test each soldier's ability to run, crawl, creep, and run. Here soldiers "brought down the house" in true circus fashion. Grease paint and oversized shoes might have helped from the standpoint of the observer, but certainly not from that of the soldier who found himself running 10 yards then squirming along on his belly for 10 more yards over dusty terrain marked off with powdered lime. In this event members of Company "C", the outstanding company of the afternoon, truly earned its new name, "The wigglers."

Even the officers figured during the afternoon. Lt. Walter W. Linder, who is over six three inches tall, felt left out when the announcer called for entrées in the 150-yard pig-a-back carry at a run, so he hoisted little Lt. Francis O. Nichols on his back, entered the starting line unnoticed, and won the event with flying colors, only to be disqualified by Lt. William C. Van Dyk, the chief umpire, on a minor technicality—the events were for enlisted men only.

Bugle Corps Stars

Each change of event gave the newly-organized drum and bugle corps an opportunity to show off some of its new drum beats and bugle "licks." "The Muffin Man," which is the bands name for "I've Got Three Years To Do This In," subtly started the companies off on a short fast march on a measured four-mile course which was required

of all companies. The rules specified that the march must be completed in 50 minutes; however, the band found itself greeting the panting troops 40 minutes after the start with the always pleasant reminder that they are "In The Army Now." All this marching was only a "warm up" for the twenty-four mile march which must be completed in eight hours and which is scheduled for a future field day.

Painlessly and amusingly, each event helped prepare the men not only for the formal physical fitness test, but for the eventual battle fitness test that every combat unit expects and looks forward to. Thus "push-ups" and "300-yard runs" may someday spell the difference between a hardened soldier and a beaten one, between a hardened tank destroyer battalion and an unsuccessful one.

SPORTS  
CHAT

**SIOUX FALLS, S. D.**—Members of the 85th Squadron, Sioux Falls Army Technical School, didn't set a high-scoring record when it rolled up 54 points in a recent basketball game, but it was on the perfect side, defensively, because the final score was 54-0. The team that was white-washed isn't exactly a pushover either, having split even in its six previous games.

**FLORENCE, S. C.**—Ping-pong can get rough says Pvt. Bill Palacio of the 958th Guard Squadron, four times national ping-pong champion. In one of his national tournaments, the tables were elevated above floor level, and the judges sat on chairs placed on the edge of the platform. In going after a difficult shot Palacio's opponent slammed into a judge, knocked him into the spectators seated around the platform, and a young lady in the group received a broken leg.

**KEESLER FIELD, Miss.**—Pvt. Charles E. Bradberry is leading scorer in the Morning basketball league with 84 points. Bradberry, star of the 306th Tech. Sc. Sq., recently scored 42 points in one game. He plays guard.

**GOWEN FIELD, Idaho**—Skiing is developing into a favorite sport and pastime for soldiers at Gowen Field. The season actually opened late in December when the first group journeyed to Bogus Basin. Reports said that the hills were well covered with snow, but that skiing should improve as the season swings into the dead of winter.

**CAMP RUCKER, Ala.**—The foremost athletic event so far held in the Wildcat (81st) Division saw a strong Artillery team, captained by Forrest Ferguson, former Southeastern Conference grid star, win the touch football tournament by trampling Company H, 323rd Infantry, 45 to 6. Ferguson was the star as he led his team in kicking, passing, ball-carrying and defense.

**TAMPA, Fla.**—Reuben Riskind, former University of Texas tennis star and now a private at Third Air Force Headquarters, has been ranked officially as the No. 1 tennis star of Tampa, on the basis of his performance in winning the recent Red Cross tournament, in which he defeated some of Tampa's top players.

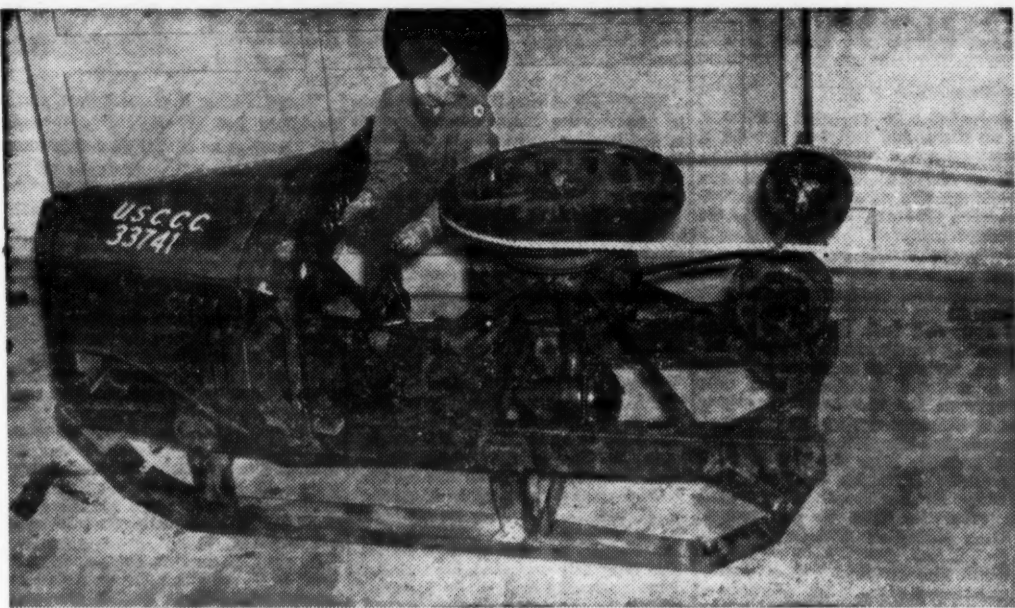
**TARRANT FIELD, Tex.**—Pvt. Clifton McNeely, star forward for the Tarrant Field basketball team, has scored 24 points in each of three consecutive league basketball games. McNeely, who was named on the Little All-American basketball team while playing with Texas Wesleyan College, has scored 90 points in his last four games.

**CHANUTE FIELD, Ill.**—Chanute Field soldiers are going to fight each other with padded gloves as part of the physical conditioning program. Squadron boxing tournaments will be held this month and competition for the post championship in various weight classes will begin Feb. 1. Medals will go to individual winners and a trophy to the squadron adjudged post champion.

**FORT DIX, N. J.**—Sgt. Eddie Sadowski, playing coach of Fort Dix's high scoring basketball team, was in pretty good form recently when his team defeated Fort Jay, 70-59; Sadowski dropped in 15 baskets and eight free throws for an evening's total of 38 points, more than half the total number scored by Fort Dix.

**CAMP GRANT, Ill.**—Camp Grant's undefeated boxing team took over the lead in the Service Boxing League recently when it whipped Fort Custer, 6 to 2. The win gave Sgt. George Soy's slugs a four won and one tied record in five matches. There were no knockouts in the match.

**CAMP CALLAN, Calif.**—Pvt. Pat Martino and Cpl. Carlos Edwards



**WINTER SPORTS** enthusiasts at Fort Warren's Quartermaster Replacement Training Center are acclaiming the latest product of Motor Maintenance inventive skill—a complete ski-tow unit soon to be installed on the practice ski run at the Pole Mountain winter sports area.

Completely constructed of salvaged materials, the power unit is taken from a truck reclaimed from the motor maintenance junk heap—Hell's Kitchen. The tow engine is

mounted on a frame and the power comes through two transmissions into a differential set upright. The differential rotates a large, salvaged, hard rubber wheel which has been grooved to prevent the two rope from slipping.

The power unit will be anchored at the top of the ski run by a block and tackle and the unit is mounted on sled runners so that it may be easily moved. At the bottom of the hill, the tow rope will pass through a large wheel mounted upright on a steel frame

welded together from scrap iron.

It is planned that approximately 600 feet of rope will be used on the tow but additional lengths can be added if the need arises.

The unit was constructed in motor maintenance shop number 803 under the direction of Lt. Malcolm Gish, shop superintendent. Col. Richard T. Bennison is the director of motor maintenance at the QMRTC. Lieutenant Gish is shown at the controls in the above picture.

Big Leagues to Give Services  
Supply of Baseball Equipment

The major leagues are more than a trifle confused about their own plans, but they're going to see that the nation's service men don't have any trouble getting started playing ball as early as they wish next Spring.

Orders for 3,000 dozen baseballs, 9,000 bats and 400 catching outfits are ready to be mailed to five manufacturers it was disclosed by Ford Frick, president of the National League, and this equipment is expected to be ready for shipment to soldiers, sailors and marines all over the world in late February and early March.

## \$200,000 Spent In '42

Frick, who with President Clark Griffith of the Washington Senators administers the baseball equipment fund set up to provide paraphernalia of the national pastime to the armed forces, said he hoped to have approximately \$200,000 to spend in this manner in 1943.

During the past season the major and minor leagues raised \$133,359 for this purpose, but \$42,543 of the fund was not expended because its share of the proceeds from the Cleveland all-star game was not made available until late. As a result this balance, along with \$25,000 contributed by the National and American Leagues and Commissioner K. M. Landis is on hand to give the service men an early start on next season.

In 1942 the equipment fund, acting on direct requests from Army and Navy authorities and making distribution on a personnel percentage

basis set up by the armed forces, delivered to individual units and commands 4,659 individually packed kits each containing a dozen bats and 647 kits containing complete catching equipment. In addition to these kits, 267 dozen baseballs were distributed.

Frick said that altogether the equipment had gone out to 4,000 individual units in more than 900 different camps, posts, cantonments and military areas in forty-three different States, the District of Columbia, England, Iceland, Africa, Australia, Alaska, Hawaii, Canal Zone and Caribbean bases.

## Men Enthusiastic

The enthusiasm with which it was received was attested by many letters one of which, from an Army chaplain, was typical and said in part: "Unfold pleasure, in far places where pleasures are few, will be the tangible result (of the equipment). But there is another result that is always evident to me as a chaplain, fine spirit of teamwork and cooperation, a spirit that wins battles and wins wars, that is a greater result of your gift."

One private, acknowledging some equipment for his unit, said "to the boys here in camp, baseball is a

GI Shoes Don't  
Hamper Runners

**SHEPPARD FIELD, Tex.**—Running on a parade ground, while wearing cumbersome "government issue" Army shoes, Sgt. Norman Lamprecht raced the 100-yard dash in 10.6 seconds—1.2 second more than the world's record—in a recent field meet here, while two other enlisted men also set outstanding marks.

In the same meet a 215-pound private, Bill Roulett, who had never before hurled the shot, heaved the 16-pound ball 47 feet, a distance good enough to top many college field meets. And to add to these marks, Pvt. Arthur F. Frantz flipped a soft-ball 360 feet—the distance between football field goalposts.

## Long Reach

**CAMP CHAFFEE, Ark.**—When rain spoiled scheduled outdoor sports contests here a makeshift table tennis tourney was held. Winner Cpl. Jerry Wender was awarded a handsome prize—a beautiful 20-foot pole to get things you cannot reach with a 10-foot pole.

**TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND** of the nation's 176,000 physicians are in the Army.

Posts  
MeetArmy and USO Plan  
Sports Events for Men  
Near Macon

**MACON, Ga.**—Athletic and special service officers in the Macon area, along with several USO workers, have banded together and organized the Army-USO Athletic Council. Camps included are Wheeler, Robins Field, Cochran Field and Herbert Smart Airport.

The purpose of the council is to sponsor competitive sports between the several posts. Some events have already been staged and plans for many more are in progress.

Boxing matches are being held at the Macon Municipal Auditorium every other Saturday night. These bouts are in preparation for the Southeastern Golden Gloves tournament, scheduled for March 15, 16 and 17.

The committee in charge includes Capt. Edward W. Norman, chairman; Oscar W. Brock, secretary; Lts. Warren H. Oliver, Egbert G. Courage and Samuel L. Schiffer.

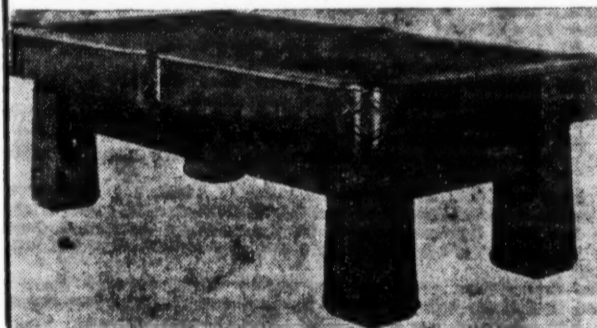
Both an officers' and an enlisted men's golf tournament have been held. Balls and clubs were furnished and prizes were awarded. At present a Sunday afternoon league is playing each week. Trophies will be presented to the winning teams.

A basketball clinic started off the season for that sport. Two leagues have just completed their first half play. The Southeastern Service Teams Basketball Championship Tournament will be held here Feb. 24-27. Eleven teams other than the local ones have entered.

Chanute Plans  
Giant Tourney

**CHANUTE FIELD, Ill.**—Plans for an all-out basketball tournament, involving hundreds of teams and countless soldiers who have not been participating in the sport here, are being charted by Special Services officers at this Army Air Forces Training Command School.

Every barracks will form a team, which will play until beaten twice. Three standard-sized courts at Chanute's huge new sports area will be used for the competition.

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## PURELY PERSONAL

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to assist military personnel and their dependents in personal problems, and is always available for consultation on these and religious problems. In addition, he renders such other services as are outlined below.

93. **Services.—A. Marriage.**—Subject to the law of the place, the chaplain is authorized to perform the marriage rite upon legal authorization in each case (par. 4e, AR 60-5). Persons planning marriage will do well to confer with the chaplain in advance.

**B. Funerals.**—The commanding officer or his representative will assist in making funeral arrangements and will supervise the conduct of the funeral (par. 243d, FM 22-5), and the chaplain will conduct appropriate burial services at the interment of members of the military service, active and retired, and for their families when requested (par. 4e, AR 60-5). If the families of personnel who die in the United States request transportation of the body to a home burial ground, instead of permitting burial without additional expense in a post or national cemetery, they will normally be expected to provide a clergyman for the burial services, inasmuch as the unit would be without a chaplain during his absence.

96. **Advice and assistance.—A. Dependents.**—Chaplains may advise dependents as to their rights in securing benefits from the Government and as to sources of information and procedures. Chaplains (and all other officers) on active duty are strictly forbidden by law from acting as an agent or attorney for such dependents otherwise than in the proper discharge of their official duties, and from aiding or assisting in the prosecution of such claim, or from receiving any quantity or share of the claim (par. 11E (1), AR 35-7020). While the chaplain will have no assignment or direct responsibility in connection with wills, allotments of pay, insurance, and the like, he is in a position to know who has charge of those things and can assist in making the proper contact. He will also have or know where to secure information regarding such subjects as "veteran's preference" (for veterans, widows of veterans, and the wives of disabled veterans), veterans' placement service, and homestead laws.

**B. Army Emergency Relief.**—The chaplain is acquainted with the local officer in charge of Army Emergency Relief and is in a position to bring tactfully to this officer instances of personnel or of their families who are in financial distress from causes incident to the military service in order that the Army Emergency Relief may help in the solution of such difficulties by outright grants, aid in kind, or by loans to be repaid with interest.

**Note.**—Information contained in section XXI received from Chief of Chaplains, June 22, 1942. Verified correct as of September 9, 1942.

### Section XXII

#### American National Red Cross

97. **General.**—The American National Red Cross covers all military installations by assigning field directors to posts, camps, and stations. These field directors assigned to Army posts and hospitals are instructed to supplement the Government's provisions for the care of sick men, to aid men to receive news of illness in their families, to arrange with the approval of the commanding officer for a timely departure when enlisted men are needed at home, and to meet other social problems which may affect the welfare or morale of the service man. Red Cross chapters are the channels between the field directors and the local communities. The chapters are expected to give financial aid for special needs not provided for from public funds, to provide a basis of maintenance when public relief is not available, and to aid in the plans for family adjustments necessary by reason of military service.

98. **Specific functions.**—AR 850-75 states that the Red Cross conducts a program of home service to the able-bodied in hospitals and social services for patients. This program is carried out with the following functions:

**A. Communication and information services.**—Assistance with communications between service men and their families and inquiry in regard to their welfare; information concerning relatives and legislation affecting service and ex-service men and their dependents.

**B. Reporting services.**—Cooperation with the military and naval authorities by obtaining social history material required for medical treatment, and by making reports on home conditions needed by commanding officers in deciding questions of discharge, furloughs, or clemency.

**C. Claims service.**—Assistance to disabled service men returning to civilian life and their dependents and to dependents of deceased men in presenting claims for pensions and other benefits.

**D. Family service.**—Financial aid for special needs and basic maintenance when other resources are not available, or pending arrangements for long-time care; consultation and assistance directed toward meeting those family difficulties which do not require financial aid; welfare service enabling clients to make use of resources or other organizations providing services not within the armed service program. The persons entitled to such Red Cross services include—

- (1) Officers, army nurses, and enlisted men in all branches of the active service and their families.
- (2) Disabled ex-service men who have disabilities caused by military service, and their dependents.
- (3) Dependents of men whose death is caused by military service.
- (4) Civilians who are serving with the armed forces under conditions which render them liable to the hazards of military service.

99. **How to obtain assistance.**—In order to obtain the assistance of the American National Red Cross, individuals needing such services should contact the field director assigned to the military installation located nearest the individual's home, or at which the individual is serving, or last served.

**Note.**—Information contained in section XXII received from the American Red Cross July 22, 1942. Verified correct as of September 9, 1942.

### Section XXIII

#### Burial if Death Occurs in Military Service

100. **Place of burial.**—Deceased members of the military service, including selectees under the Selective Training and Service Act of 1940 who die while in active service are entitled to burial in any of the National Cemeteries, or the remains may be shipped to the home of the deceased for interment. The next of kin's desires should be requested by the commanding officer at the place of death.

101. **Arrangements.**—A. Since the standard of burial required by Army Regulations provides every proper consideration, the final arrangements should be turned over to military authorities at the place of death without expense to the next of kin.

**B.** If death occurs where no military authority is present to take charge of arrangements, the next of kin should make burial arrangements with a reputable undertaker keeping expenses at a reasonable medium. For reimbursement for funeral expenses see section VII.

102. **Expenses.**—The Quartermaster General has jurisdiction over preparation of remains for interment in post cemeteries at place of death, or shipment to home or to any National Cemetery for interment, which include the following proper burial expenses:

- A. Undertaker's services.
- B. Cost of casket.
- C. Cost of outside box or shipping case when the remains are shipped.
- D. Hire of hearse.
- E. Authorized necessary transportation, either without or after temporary interment.
- F. Storm flag, which may be retained by the relatives of the deceased.
- G. Clothing, when necessary.
- H. Necessary expenses incident to the recovery of bodies.
- I. Necessary expenses not to exceed \$50.00 incident to interment, which include—

- (1) Hearse hire for remains from railroad station to destination at first place of delivery.
- (2) Hearse hire for remains and transportation for immediate relatives to cemetery.
- (3) Services of a minister.
- (4) Cost of grave site in private cemetery.
- (5) Opening and closing of grave.
- (6) Transportation of escort when remains are accompanied by an escort.

## 'Golden Boy' Is at Butner

CAMP BUTNER, N. C.—Ever hear of "Golden Boy," the dramatic story of the boxing-violinist? If you want to meet an almost true-life counterpart of this boy who gave up a career in the arts to become a prize-fighter, drop in at Service Club Number 2 some Sunday afternoon and meet Pvt. Sam Springer of the 78th Division Reconnaissance Troops.

### Diplomat

CAMP EDWARDS, Mass.—Soldiers working at the Camp Edwards Service Club locating center have to be versed in diplomatic tact. Fellow soldiers there think Pvt. Theodore Blum of the 114th SCU Casual Company has adequate background. His last name that of a former French premier and his civilian address used to be 10 Downing Street. But it was in New York City and not in London, where 10 Downing Street is the home of Prime Minister Winston Churchill.

There, sitting in a quiet spot, you'll probably find Private Springer with his small easel and a box of pastels and charcoal doing sketches of his fellow soldiers and their girl friends. As he sketches, however, Sam Springer is undoubtedly thinking of his feats in the boxing ring of not so long ago—when he won a gold watch at a boxing show held at West Point in January, 1942—of his name in lights at the Madison Square Gardens in New York City for the National Golden Gloves tournament.

Springer comes from New York City, where he had always lived up to the time of his entry in the Army about two years ago. After finishing high school in the Bronx, where he won several medals for his watercolors, he attended the Academy of Design and Industrial Art in New York for a year, and then became a free artist.

In addition to this commercial art work in the daytime, he would cover several night clubs during the evenings doing sketches of patrons there. When the World's Fair came to New York in 1939, he had a permanent job in the "Gay New Or-

leans" show as the portrait artist.

However, all his work as an artist did not crowd out his career in the prize ring. Even while he attended art school in the mornings, he trained for light heavy-weight bouts in the afternoons. Mike Satchey, who taught Jack Dempsey many of the former champ's tricks, was Springer's manager and trainer.

When the Army took Springer two years ago, he was inducted at Governor's Island, where he remained for a while in regimental intelligence work in the 16th Infantry. From there he was transferred to Fort Devens, Mass., where he became the First Division heavy-weight champion while taking his basic training.

After appearing on a boxing card at West Point early in 1942 (where he won that gold watch after knocking out a husky Marine), Private Springer then entered the Golden Gloves tournament at Madison Square Gardens. In the preliminaries, he scored five knock-outs in five bouts, and was chosen to represent Eastern United States in the finals.

"In the first round of that bout," Springer said, "I broke my hand, and somehow or other managed to last the three rounds of the bout, although not winning the decision."

Private Springer today in his spare time is painting several watercolor portraits of his fellow 78th Division soldiers, in addition to the quick sketches he makes at the Service Club. He isn't doing much boxing these days, he says. He's doing all the art work he can find time for in hopes that he can get enough experience to get into Army camouflage work.

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CAMP GRANT, Ill.—Back in 1925, a 16-year-old Chicago lad with a yen for flying joined the Army Air Corps. After two enlistments—and two crackups—he soared high for many years as publicity man for celebrities of the stage and screen. This week the same lad, Carl Krueger, now 33, married and the father of a four year old son, is back in uniform at his own request. This time his yen for flying is in the direction of Berlin or Tokyo—in a bomber.

In order to get into the Army the

first time Krueger had to be 18 years old. So, he says, he "aged" two years during the walk from his home to the recruiting office. This time he had to obtain permission from the Secretary of War.

Krueger, who returned to the Army by way of the Camp Grant Recruit Reception Center, accumulated a total of more than 200 flight hours during his previous service, when he was stationed at Chanute Field. Lacking the formal education required for a flying cadet, he was made operations and engineering clerk and placed on flying duty after several months in the service. He was promoted to private first class, receiving \$72 monthly, plus extras for flight pay, expert pistol shot, etc.

One year after he entered the service, he was a passenger in a Fokker observation plane which tried to land at the Chicago Municipal Airport during a heavy fog. The pilot missed the runway, and the plane crashed—rolling over several times before it came to a stop, upside down. Krueger was stunned by the impact, but managed to extricate himself and assist the pilot from the wreckage. Both escaped with minor bruises, but the plane was damaged beyond repair.

His second crash occurred two years later. He was riding in a plane which blew a tire during a landing at Champaign, Ill., and turned over. His luck held good this time, also, and he again escaped injury.

In 1933, after leaving the Army, he became associated with Cliff Henderson, a friend from Army days, who was staging the International Air Races in Chicago, in connection with the World Fair. Krueger, who had written some press releases while in the service, was assigned to promotion work.

Among the pilots participating in the races were Brig. Gen. Jimmy Doolittle, now commanding American flyers in Africa; Col. Roscoe Turner, Ernest Udet, the German ace, and many other celebrated airmen. Krueger selected a board of honorary judges, comprised of Olsen and Johnson, Jack Benny, Ben Bernie, and Phil Baker among others, all appearing at Chicago theatres. This stunt brought added publicity to both the stars and races, which drew some 40,000 spectators daily.

Olsen and Johnson were so pleased with the tie up that they offered Krueger a job as their publicity man when the races ended. His activities also brought him to the attention of Admiral Byrd, who offered him the job of secretary to his Antarctic Expedition. Krueger weighed the two offers—eating pelican meat at the Antarctic or the Olsen and Johnson show with 24 beautiful chorus girls. He chose "duty before pleasure"—taking the publicity job with the musical show.

When the show ended its run, Krueger was called to Hollywood, where the California Music Festival Association was preparing to stage Max Reinhardt's colossal version of "A Midsummer Night's Dream." The show opened with Mickey Rooney, Olivia De Havilland, Leif Erickson, Evelyn Venable, Walter Connolly, Marion Shilling, Charles Ray, Nana Gallner, and 72 beautiful ballerinas. The production was later taken on tour, with five carloads of live trees among other scenery, and went broke in St. Louis, because of the tremendous overhead. The show had to net \$30,000 a week before any profits could be counted.

Krueger also had a crack at film writing. He worked for 20th Century-Fox on "Sioux City," and also on "Thunderbird"—the last one shown recently at Camp Grant.

His last job before entering the Army was as director of the March of Dimes Fund, for Chicago and Cook County.

"I hope to be flying with the Army soon," said Krueger, after he returned to the service. "I want to drop bombs on either Germans or Japs—doesn't make any difference which."

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## Students Drill, Then Enlist

CAMP EDWARDS, Mass.—A score of students of the Lawrence High School at Falmouth, Mass., who have been receiving regular Army basic training from Camp Edwards soldiers, have enlisted in various branches of the service and many others of the drill class have filed applications for enlistment.

The training by soldiers started five weeks ago when 18-year-old students and those close to the new draft age voted to give up two nights of basketball activity each week to receive the same instructions given to recruits in the Army. Evidence that the training is a hit with the youths is in the announcement of the enlistments.

Some already have entered the service while others are waiting for answers to their applications.

The students are now using Enfield rifles and have been instructed in the nomenclature of the piece. Drilling, training films, and lectures by officers also are included on the program.

## ANOTHER WOMAN KILLER

They say that the mayor of Henderson is out gunning for Cpl. James Putnam. Seems that Jimmy's taken Henderson by storm, practically has all the girls pro-Jimmy when he goes there. But in the mess hall I heard that he was orally flattened by one gal who let him have a curt salvo. Seems that the Corporal was bragging about his pull, and wound up his braggadocio speech with "And so I took the matter up with Washington."

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## Lightning Lines

By Cpl. Samuel Fuller

CAMP BUTNER, N. C.—He makes Atlas look like an anemic; he runs the 100 yard dash in 9.4—backwards; he can toss a football 70 yards, and gallop off to catch it; he can shoot baskets one-handed from the middle of the floor and read the Soldier's Handbook at the same time.

He's Pvt. Charles F. Kendall, Dwight, Illinois, who is the new Athletic Director of the 311th Infantry, 78th "Lighting" Division. But Charlie is nonplussed. He's griping about a dietitian who howled "What the country needs is emotional balance, mental ability, spiritual courage and physical health."

"Holy smoke!" growls Charlie, "I thought any doggone breakfast food attended to all that."

## ROMEO'S GREMLIN

Pvt. Willard "Romeo" Mixer is quite a Lothario and lives up to his name when it comes to the girls. But his real heart throb turned out to be, of all things, a Gremlin in his life. She sabotaged his weekend, wrecked his overnight pass, crippled his sense of humor. It seems that Romeo's lady love sent him a bright red tie for Christmas—and he's still on KP for forgetting to take it off when he fell out for retreat.

## BIG GUN BOWS

Sgt. Ralph Cipriani, "A" Btry, 307th Field Artillery Bn. admitted it at the Service Club the other night. "Got to hand it to you guys of the foxholes," he said. "I just got a letter from a friend of mine in Africa, an Infantryman, who was bombed 16 times and felt so queer when he came out of it he had to get a one-hour pass to get away from it."

## CUPID'S BUCK SLIPS TO

Pvt. Mike Nicola and Helene Heckler, who were married in Durham, . . . Pvt. Orlando DiGrazio, famous "Lonely Little" on the Pennsylvania air lanes for his tune warbling, and Rose Morano, to whom he will become engaged in Philadelphia. . . Lt. Edward J. McFadden, new Special Service Officer of the 311th Infantry, who slipped a winking gold circle on Evangeline Venzosi's finger this week, also in Philly. Nope, just engaged. . . Sgt. Sol Margolis, of Regimental Headquarters, who's expecting to hear from his wife in Brooklyn that "It's a boy!"

## SIGHTED SUB, PAINTED SAME

He swears its true but we know its just a gag. Anyway, Pvt. Frank Miller claims his pal, a Commando sergeant home on furlough, told him the following barracks tale. "It was this way, Frankie. A nosey old lady asks me exactly what I done in the battle. I tells her I was in the Green Lacer Squad—a lookout for subs on the lading barges in North Africa. I tells her when I sees a periscope all I done was pour green paint on the water, and as the sub comes up the paint covers the periscope and the U-boat commander thinks he's will under water so he keeps coming higher an' higher and when he gets up to five hundred feet I shoots him down with my '03 rifle."

And when Frankie tells this tale, he looks at you and says, "Say, is an '03 really that powerful?"

## BLUES IN ARMY?

Mrs. Frances McDonald, senior hostess, and Miss Andrea Powell, junior hostess, both of Service Club No. 2, will, due to an official War Order, don trim blue uniforms—even though they are Infantrywomen.

Miss Rowell was born in the Philippines, traveled through Hawaii, China and Japan when a tot, went to University of North Carolina, and is very proud of her father, Mr. Napoleon Rowell, of the Dept. of Agriculture.

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# Will's Whittled Wagons Wonderful

By Tech. Sgt. Robert D. Polatsek

FORT KNOX, Ky.—Undeniably one of the smallest workshops in the world is the right-hand trouser pocket of M/Sgt. William P. Kincaid. It holds a penknife, a pair of pliers, and a small screwdriver, and from it emerge the pieces which go to make up intricate reproductions of guns, tanks and other vehicles used in the Armored Force which are such faithful models that adults as well as small military-minded youngsters oh-and-ah when they see them.

Although radio has been his work for the past 22 years, wood carving has always been Sergeant Kincaid's hobby. He has built everything from furniture to full-rigged sailboats, but he didn't do anything seriously until last March when he was in the hospital. The result of that illness was a 5/8-inch scale model M2A2 light tank which is still his prize accomplishment.

When Sergeant Kincaid starts out at 5:30 a.m. for his office at the Armored Force School, his trouser pocket contains his pen knife and some stray pieces of a cigar box. After he has taken care of setting up the radio field nets operated by soldier students and the "dits and dahs" are crackling over the air, he takes out his knife and goes to work. The result may be a bogey wheel, an instrument panel for a tank, or the fender for a jeep. When he gets home he assembles the parts and glues them together. His workbench is an ordinary writing desk used by his four children.

## All Details Authentic

Although his fingers are short and stubby, Sergeant Kincaid handles the tiniest pieces with ease. The pick and shovel, which are part of the tank's equipment, are approximately an inch long exact in detail. The head of the pick is a separate piece, and may be removed. A broomstraw, mounted in a spring from a tire valve, is a realistic radio antenna.

The interior is equally complete, and contains a radio of the type used in these tanks. The ends of two clothespins (the rounded portion) have been cut off, painted white and used as headlights. Brush guards for these lights are made of bent hairpins and bobby pins. There is even a driver's seat, gearshift and instrument panel. The tracks are flexible drafting tape, and they move easily over the bogey wheels. This same tape is used as hinges for the turret covers, so that they raise automatically at a slight touch.

Sergeant Kincaid's preliminary plans are as skeleton as his tools. First he studies pictures of the ve-

hicle or gun he wants to build. Before touching a piece of wood he will ferret out specifications from old Army manuals and mull over the parts he will need, mentally scaling them down to the size he desires. Since there are numerous tanks at Fort Knox, he can study the model he's building at first hand.

## No Hero to Wife

It takes about 30 working hours to build a tank. A jeep, which is much smaller, takes only 5 hours even though it contains such details as accelerator and a lever to change the gear ratio, both of which are minute. All models are painted "G.I." olive drab, and are complete even to the white star insignia found on all Army vehicles and the name. The tank is named "JAWD," after the first initials of Juanita, Ada, William and David, Sergeant Kincaid's brood. The serial number 131276 represents their ages, 13, 12, 7 and 6.

On the Kincaid production line at the present time are a PT boat, a scout car, a late model tank, and another jeep. These were preceded by a full-rigged sailboat, with decking laid of 1/32 x 1/64 inch planking; a 75 mm. field piece, a 105 mm. howitzer, and an anti-aircraft gun, all of which have traversing and recoil mechanisms.

David and William think their Dad is about the best wood-carver there is, and the way they carefully handle his work is ample proof. Brig. Gen. S. G. Henry, Commandant of the Armored Force School, thinks he is one of the best radio men in the Army (he's been in it since he was 16). But to Mrs. Kincaid, all this whittling is not tanks, guns and peeps. She calls them "dust collectors."



Sergeant Kincaid

# Airborne Recruits Welcomed Personally by Division CO's

FORT BRAGG, N. C.—Recruits newly assigned to the 82nd Airborne Division were met by the combined division bands and welcomed personally by their commanding officers.

This new-type welcome for new-type soldiers was inspired by Maj. Gen. M. B. Ridgway, commanding general, who frequently tells his officers, "The staff exists to serve the men," and by Lt. Col. Ralph P. Eaton, chief of staff, who rose to his present position from the ranks.

## Soldiers Welcomed

Instead of hurrying incoming soldiers through necessary processing, giving them a hot meal and sending them on to barracks, these new men were met by the division band despite the hour of their arrival, wel-

comed in brief addresses by the commanding general and other ranking officers, and presented with the "A" insignia of the division to place immediately on their uniforms.

First member of the 82nd to address the new arrivals was Capt. George L. Riddle, division chaplain, who told them of the extensive religious services conducted in the division by himself and his assistants, and invited them to find their place in the 82nd's religious community.

Chaplain Riddle in turn introduced Major General Ridgway.

## Good Start

With the sincere welcome of their commanding general fresh in their minds and the red-white-and-blue insignia clutched in their hands, these newest members of the divi-

sion go to work from the very first minute to prove that they're worthy to be soldiers and to be members of the 82nd.

The average age of the new members of the division and their high degree of education show the high type of men who are swelling the ranks of the great Army which America is now building.

Average age of the newcomers is around 22. Most of them are high school graduates. Farm boys, miners, shopkeepers and office workers from Michigan, Wisconsin and Illinois, they are an alert, adaptable group.

## Army Purpose

"You were called from your homes and your jobs for one purpose and for one purpose only—to crush tyranny . . . The Army is looking for officers from your ranks . . . You will not be asked to do anything that your officers and non-commissioned officers have not done before you." These are selections from the remarks by Major General Ridgway and the other officers who addressed the new men.

## Wildcat Division Sends 1000 to OCS

CAMP RUCKER, Ala.—Although the Wildcat (81st) Division was reactivated in less than seven months with thousands of raw recruits, this week it passed the 1,000-mark in total number of members it has sent away to Officer Training Schools.

The total number of OCS assignments now stands at 1,002, with the Infantry School at Fort Benning getting the biggest share of candidates, 539 of them. The Field Artillery School at Fort Sill, Okla., stands second high in the list and after it range the Engineer, Signal, Armored Force and Ordnance Schools, respectively, with lesser numbers of candidates assigned to still others.

# Sentry Dogs Guard Fort Leavenworth

FORT LEAVENWORTH, Kans.—Attack and sentry dogs are not a part of the military forces at Fort Leavenworth where twelve highly trained military police dogs are engaged in the activities and training of the 742nd Military Police Battalion.

These war dogs, all trained at the cavalry remount station at Fort Robinson, Neb., are under the supervision of expert dog handlers. They receive two hours of military training daily, consisting of sentry duty, (both day and night) walking post with the sentry, surrounding suspicious individuals, principles of attack, and marching.

Eight weeks of intensive training at Fort Robinson started the military career of the dogs. Following this eight-week course the dogs are assigned to field forces or military police establishments for the final phase of their training.

Some of the dogs are thoroughbred and all are considered excellent types of their breed. German shepherd, collie, Doberman pinscher are three of the outstanding types of dogs used in this military work. All of the animals were given to the Army by patriotic citizens.

At the conclusion of the first eight week's training, the dogs can pick up the sound or scent of a man in

the dark at 600 yards, many times the distance of the human senses. A sentry dog, on "picking up" a strange individual, will circle him by making continuous complete circles around the man at a distance of several yards. The dog will not attack until the man moves. One movement by the individual is the signal for the attack and the dog will lunge for the throat of his enemy.

Pvt. O. B. Webb is in charge of the dog training at Fort Leavenworth and is proud of his 12 charges but is partial to one of the attack dogs, "Prince", a thoroughbred two-year old German shepherd.

# Chaplain Shortage Doesn't Keep Troops From Worship

FORT BRAGG, N. C.—Although the shortage of chaplains in the Army has caused the 16th Battalion, FARC, here from time to time to be without the full-time services of a chaplain the religious program of this colored unit has continued uninterrupted.

Chaplains stationed on the post have been "filling in" at the 16th for the regular Sunday services, but to enlisted men of the organization goes much of the credit for the unusual programs held each week in the area. The chapel is the scene

of many activities.

Vesper services, for instance, are held each Sunday afternoon, at which time singers, dramatic readers and instrumentalists are given an opportunity to display their talents.

The Battalion choral singers take part in many of the chapel events.

ALTHOUGH the population of Randolph Field, Tex., has more than tripled since Dec. 7, 1941, enrollment in the post school has shrunk from 135 to 80.

# Carson Has Biggest Bus

CAMP CARSON, Colo.—A record-breaking capacity of 250 passengers can be carried by a bus built in Denver, Colo., for use in transporting soldiers around mammoth Camp Carson.

The bus, built with scrap iron and wood, is 15 feet high and 10 feet wide. It has 14 second-hand tires.

Ninety days were required to make the pilot model and a second double-deck bus of the same size soon will be completed. The semi-trailer body was made on a rebuilt transport chassis and attached to an ordinary tractor.

## Not Murder

CAMP BUTNER, N. C.—A private walked into the office of a Camp Butner Ordnance Company to hear his commanding officer say over the telephone:

"Get out there and knock him block off!"

His astonishment soon vanished when he discovered that the captain was referring to an automobile donated by a used car firm for motor maintenance training purposes.

## Son and Promotion Come On Same Day to Officer

CAMP CAMPBELL, Ky.—A son and a promotion arrived on the same day for former 2nd Lt. Fred J. Maynard.

The son's name is Thomas Ryan Maynard, and he was born the day that Lieutenant Maynard received notice of his promotion to the rank of first lieutenant in the Field Artillery.

## Claim Largest Phone Station

CAMP STONEHAM, Calif.—With the opening of new quarters Camp Stoneman now has the largest attendant station telephone exchange of any Army camp in the United States, according to an announcement of A. H. Hurlock, Pacific Telephone and Telegraph manager for the camp.

"Thirty telephone booths are now provided, an increase of nine, and seven operating positions for the switchboard attendants, an increase of three over those in service at the former location. The seating capacity for servicemen will be doubled by the enlarged quarters," Hurlock states.

## Tax

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I have to?

A: Six months after you leave the service you must pay the tax in full.

Q: I am serving overseas. If I don't file a return now, when will I have to?

A: Your due date is the 15th day of the third month following the earliest one of these dates: (1) the month in which you return to the United States; (2) the month in which you leave the Army; (3) the month in which the war ends; (4) the month in which an executor of your estate is appointed (if you die).

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## Quiz Answers

(See Page 11)

1. 1220. The rule is to divide numbers by three and add a zero. Not exact but close enough.
2. 50.
3. More.
4. True.
5. 20. In July, 1940, the Army totaled slightly more than 250,000 of whom 50,000 were in the Air Forces; today the Army has more than 5,000,000 men with more than 1,000,000 in the Air Forces.
6. B.
7. False.
8. 6000.
9. A.
10. C.